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PROGRAMS WILL BE GIVEN BY CHURCHES

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES TO BE HELD SUNDAY NIGHT

TO HAVE WHITE GIFTS

Children Have Been Practicing For Several Weeks In Preparation For Yuletide Programs

All churches of Maryville will have Christmas programs Sunday night which will be given by the Sunday school classes of the various Protestant churches.

Special numbers by the children have been prepared for the Sunday night services and most of the denominations will carry out the white gift idea.

Practices have been held for the last several weeks in preparation for the Christmas programs and Maryville's children will be at their very best Sunday night.

The following is the program to be given at the Baptist Church Sunday night:

A Christmas pantomime with Mabel Raines as reader.

Organ prelude—Eudora Allen.

Hymn—By choir, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

First episode, The Angel and the Shepherds.

Shepherds — John Spickerman, Frank Baker, Frank Jackson, V. C. Ford.

Angel—Alyce Allen, who sings "While Shepherds Watch Their Flocks."

Response by choir—"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing."

Mary at the manger, "Sleep, My Little Jesus"—Irene Lowry.

Choir—"O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Second episode, The Wise Men and the Star.

Wise men—Ursle Crockett, Leo Strong and Ed Brewer.

Choir—"We Three Kings of Orient Are."

Third episode, The World's Children.

Representing the children of the various nations of the world. The primary and juniors will appear in costume. They worship at the manger while Mrs. L. L. St. Clair sings "From the Eastern Mountains."

The children will sing, "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World," as the white gift is brought to the king.

Invocation—The Rev. J. A. Cooper.

Children will sing first verse of, "O Come All Ye Faithful.

At this time, gifts of self and service will be received, while the intermediate girls will receive the gifts of substance and the offering, while the choir sings the remaining verses of "O Come All Ye Faithful."

The program which will be given at the M. E. Church South, Sunday night is as follows:

Chorus—Star Class.

Invocation—The Rev. B. F. Cline.

Song, "Old Christmas Dolls"—Nine primary girls.

A group of living pictures taken and shown by old Santa Claus himself.

White Gifts for the King.

Offering for Near East relief.

Christmas stockings—By ten boys.

Play, "Helping Santa Claus"—By Junior girls.

Distribution of gifts.

Chorus—Star class.

The church will be appropriately decorated by the members of the Star class. A Christmas tree will be placed in the church for the program Sunday night.

The programs of the Presbyterian and Christian Churches as well as the complete program of the First M. E. Church will be announced later.

The program that will be given by the junior department of the First M. E. Church, under the direction of Miss May Howland is as follows:

A Dramatization of "The Birth of Jesus."

The characters are: Junior Gray, Joseph; Genevieve Miller, Mary; Angel, Tresa Donahue.

William Stilwell, George Belt and Wesley Anderson—The Three Wisemen.

Frank Westfall, Glenn Twaddle, Judd Nicholas and John Hamilton, Jr.—The four shepherds.

An angel chorus of ten girls will also take part.

Attend Bishop Funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Hunt of Ravenwood attended the funeral of Mrs. Alpha Bishop at the Christian Church this afternoon.

Concrete Being Put in on Fifth Street

Concrete started to flow this morning for the base of the paving in the block on Fifth street between Main and Market streets. The crew for the Cook & O'Brien Construction Co., finished the leveling of the subgrade yesterday.

The concrete mixing machine was run to the east end of the block and the concrete is being put down on the north half of the street on an uphill grade. The concrete base which is now being laid is four inches thick. The material is carried by Ford dump cars from the Wabash depot where the sand, cement and crushed rock is proportioned.

MANY VOTES CAST AT R. C. ELECTION

TWO NEW MEMBERS ELECTED TO EXECUTIVE BOARD

1ST MEETING ON JAN. 3

Harry Todd and D. E. Hotchkin Are Newly Chosen Members—Other Five Are Re-elected

A large number of votes was cast at the annual election for members of the American Red Cross executive board for Nodaway County, which was held yesterday in the offices of the Red Cross rooms.

Eleven were voted on for positions on the board, the seven receiving the highest number of votes being declared members.

Those that were nominated were: R. P. Hosmer, Dr. C. V. Martin, Dr. R. C. Person, Roy Curfman, W. N. Deatherage, Martin Lewis, Jr., D. E. Hotchkin, Harry Todd, Roy Hanna, Arch Frank and E. E. Williams.

G. B. Roseberry and W. N. Deatherage canvassed the ballots this morning and declared the following to be members of the executive board for the year 1924:

Roy J. Curfman, R. P. Hosmer, Dr. C. V. Martin, Dr. R. C. Person, W. N. Deatherage, D. E. Hotchkin and Harry Todd. The last two are new members of the executive, the other five being re-elected. G. B. Roseberry and Fred Diss are the two retiring members.

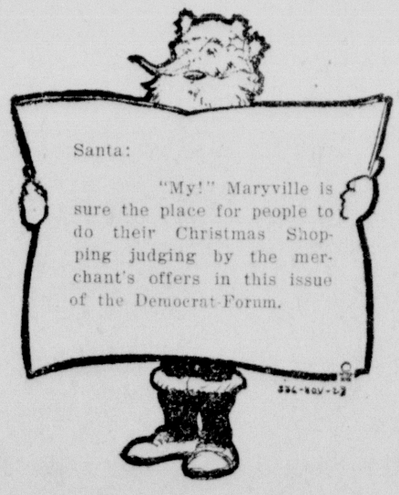
Mr. Deatherage, who is now secretary and treasurer of the Red Cross executive board, announced this morning that a meeting will be called for the first Thursday in January, the third, when the new officers of the board will be elected by the members. Plans for the new year will be discussed and any other important affairs that might come up at the time.

To Start Taking Down Tabernacle Tomorrow

Several Bids Were Received by Christian Church Board, But It Was Decided to Reject Them All.

A number of workmen will begin taking down the tabernacle on East Third street in the morning. Several bids were received from parties wishing to purchase the structure as it is now standing but at a meeting of the County Christian Church Board this morning it was decided that more money could be obtained if the tabernacle was taken down and small quantities of the lumber sold at auction. It will be several days before the lumber can be auctioned off.

Mrs. Ed Steward and family of New Market, Ia., visited in Maryville yesterday.


Santa:
"My!" Maryville is sure the place for people to do their Christmas Shopping judging by the merchant's offers in this issue of the Democrat-Forum.

M. F. A. DRIVE TO START JANUARY 21

ACCORDING TO JAMES LYNCH, SECRETARY OF ASSOCIATION

SUCCESSFUL ELSEWHERE

Producers' Contract Co-operative Marketing Proposition Will Be Put Before Farmers Then

The Producers' contract co-operative marketing campaign of the Missouri Farmers Association will begin in Nodaway County January 21, James Lynch of Conception, secretary of the Association in this county announced today.

The producers' contract is an agreement between the farmers and the exchanges and elevators of the M. F. A. to sell all their farm produce through these mediums for the next five years. Drives have been staged in Franklin and Gasconade counties recently where hundreds of farmers agreed to sell all their products, grain, livestock, poultry and dairy products through the co-operative channels. Drives will soon start in Sullivan and Phelps counties.

Representatives of the Missouri Farmers Association will convass the entire county. A house-to-house campaign will be made in an effort to secure the signatures of the agriculturists.

Reports from Franklin and Gasconade counties, the Association announced, are that farmers are signing the contract in increasing numbers. Indicative of the ready acceptance of the co-operative contract is that in many communities every farmer has signed up. Bacon Ridge district in Franklin county is one of those which has signed up 100 per cent, according to reports from T. H. DeWitt, fieldman for the Missouri Farmers' Association.

In Gasconade county ninety-three farmers signed the contract at a single meeting. The drive was given an impetus last week by three addresses by D. L. James, specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture who came to Missouri for the express purpose of aiding in the campaign.

Mrs. Clara Buck Dies in St. Joe Hospital

Body Brought To Maryville Today—Mrs. Buck Had Lived In County For Number Of Years

Mrs. Clara Buck, 316 East Edwards street, died at 6 o'clock last evening at Hospital No. 2 in St. Joseph, following an extended illness. The body was brought to Maryville this afternoon in the ambulance of the Price Furniture Company. Arrangements for the funeral will not be completed until after the arrival tomorrow of a son, Ernest Buck of Milwaukee, Wis. Three other children survive, Mrs. Joseph Updegraph of Maryville, Roy Buck of Kansas City and Frank Buck of St. Joseph. Mrs. Buck was 68 years old and had lived in Nodaway County for a number of years.

Mrs. Yehle to St. Louis.

Mrs. C. W. Yehle will leave this evening for St. Louis to join her husband who has been taking treatment at the Barnes hospital in that city for the past several days. Mr. Yehle's condition is very much improved and he is expecting to return home by the end of the week.

C. C. Corwin and daughter, Miss Mae Corwin, went to St. Joseph this morning to spend the day.

A. R. Middleton Dies Yesterday Afternoon

Had Been In Dray Business Here For 30 Years—Funeral Wednesday Afternoon

A. R. Middleton, 72 years old, died Monday afternoon at his home, 1010 East Edwards street, of heart trouble. Mr. Middleton had been in ill health for some time but was able to be up town Saturday.

The funeral services will be held at the Christian Church Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and will be conducted by the Rev. R. E. Snodgrass. Burial will be at the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Middleton had resided in Maryville forty-nine years and the last thirty years of that time he had been in the dray business with his brother, I. N. Middleton. He is survived by his brother, and two sons, James Middleton of Maryville and Frank Middleton of Busteed, Mont., and one grandchild, Mary Middleton, also of Maryville. Mr. Middleton was born in Washington, Ia., on Aug. 4, 1851.

WELFARE SOCIETY IS RE-ORGANIZED

MEETING IS HELD AT THE CITY HALL LAST EVENING

HOOKER NEW CHAIRMAN

Other Officers Are Elected—Planned To Enlarge the Society To Include Other Organizations

A re-organization of the Maryville Welfare Society was made last night at a meeting in the City Hall at the call of the Rev. B. F. Cline, representing the Ministerial Alliance. F. P. Robinson, who has been chairman of the Welfare Society for the last eight years, turned in his resignation to the Ministerial Alliance at Thanksgiving time and at the meeting last night H. Hooker was chosen to succeed him.

The following were elected officers of the organization which was effected last night: H. Hooker, chairman; C. D. Allen, vice-chairman; C. C. Leeson, secretary; and W. A. Miller, treasurer.

The persons who met at the city Hall last night for the purpose of effecting the re-organization of the Welfare Society were: C. D. Allen, representing the Baptist Church; W. A. Miller, representing the Christian Church; H. Hooker, representing the Presbyterian Church; J. W. Cornell, representing the South M. E. Church; C. C. Leeson, representing the First M. E. Church; and Mayor W. O. Garrett, representing the city.

It was planned at the meeting to enlarge the organization so that it would include every organization in Maryville. The Welfare Society has as its object to carry out the distribution of white gifts for Christmas. The ministers and others will be asked to furnish a list of needy persons. Those persons undertaking independent donations are asked to report to the board to avoid duplication of donations.

That City Hall will be used as headquarters for the distribution of gifts that will be made at Christmas time.

Directors of S. P.-C. Association in Session

The board of directors of the Standard Poland-China Record Asosciation is holding their annual meeting today at their office on East Fifth street. Reports for the year are being gone over as well as discussing matters of importance to the association.

The directors in attendance at the meeting are: Mayor W. O. Garrett, Maryville, president; S. McKelvie, Fairfield, Nebr.; O. E. Wade, Rising City, Nebr.; J. M. Andrews, Lawson, Mo.; James Kennish, Mound City, Mo., and L. R. McClarnon, Braddyville, Ia.

The banquet of the association will be held at the Residence Hall of the State Teachers College this evening at 6:30 o'clock. Several members will arrive this afternoon to attend the banquet. The annual meeting of the stockholders of the association will be held tomorrow morning.

To Spend Holidays Here.

Mrs. C. D. Koch went to Ford City today for a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. P. D. A. Duncan, and family. She expects to return home tomorrow and will be accompanied by Mrs. Duncan and little sons, who will spend the holidays in Maryville.

William Everhart made a business trip to St. Joseph today.

FARMERS ASK FOR MORE CO-OPERATION

ENTIRE COUNTRY MUST AID IN SOLUTION THEY SAY

NOT CURTAIL PRODUCTION

This Will Not Cure Present Agriculture Ills, Speakers Tell Chamber Of Commerce Banqueters

An appeal for a greater co-operation between the farmer and the merchant, and between farmers themselves was made at the Chamber of Commerce banquet at the Bainum Hotel last night. It was the farmers' side of the cause of the present agricultural depression, as Nodaway County farmers were the speakers at the banquet.

Business men must co-operate with the farmers, C. P. Dowis of Parnell told the banquet audience last night. However, the government, itself, is largely responsible for the present condition of agriculture, he said.

"During the war, there was a constant cry from the government to increase production," Mr. Dowis continued, "and since the war was over, the farmer has kept up this production. Therefore, we must get rid of our over-production of grain, wheat and livestock."

Mr. Dowis suggested the establishment of an export commission by the government. This export commisison would take care of all surplus production in this country by seeking out world markets for American products.

The speaker also suggested the establishment of a broadcasting station at Maryville in order that people all over the United States might know of Nodaway County, its resources and possibilities.

Mr. Dowis said that the farmer should not attempt to limit production in any way but should keep up his present work as an equitable solution could not result from the limitation of acreage.

James V. Lynch of Conception told the farmers that the present condition was brought about by the farmers themselves in not having an organization adequate to combat the rest.

"If we were only organized like labor," Mr. Lynch said, "and could stand up and protest against the present conditions, we could come to some agreement that would put us on an equal basis with other industries of our country."

All farm organizations should co-operate, Mr. Lynch said. A board of directors, consisting of representatives of the various agricultural organizations, should direct the activities of all these enterprises, Mr. Lynch added.

"With the control of farm products in the hands of the farmers, themselves farm conditions would greatly improve," Mr. Lynch said.

Roy Lippman, president of the Nodaway County Farm Bureau, was present and made an appeal for one, big county fair in Maryville next year, instead of a number of smaller fairs over the county.

L. M. Eek, a member of the board of directors, presided at the meeting.

Saxophone solos were furnished by Eugene Yehle, accompanied on the piano by Walter Nixson.

This was the last Chamber of Commerce dinner this year. The next dinner will be held Monday evening, January 7.

Attempt Is Made to Enter Jensen Shop

What was evidently an attempt to enter and burglarize the shop of Chas. A. Jensen, North Market street, produce and fur dealer, was frustrated last night by the kitchen boy at the Bainum Hotel.

About midnight the pane in the window on the south side of Mr. Jensen's building was broken. The boy was aroused from bed and as he got out saw a new Ford, which was standing at the curb, drive away.

Whoever it was that was attempting to get in the shop did not carry anything away, Mr. Jensen said this morning. There was little money in the safe and the only valuables were the furs in the building.

Burglars tried to force an entrance at the Maryville Auto Wrecking Co., corner of Market and East Third streets, about 3 o'clock Monday morning. John Roberts, who is an employe and who sleeps there, ehard the noise at the basement door on the north side of the building and scared the person away. He was seen running east down the alley.

Aaron Sapiro to Be Here on January 19

Will Lecture at Nodaway County School and Farm Products Show to Be Held Here.

Aaron Sapiro, the originator of the co-operative marketing idea in a number of states of the Union, will give an address at the Nodaway County School and Farm Products Show on January 19. The time and place for the address has not yet been definitely decided, but it probably will be in the afternoon of January 19 at the College auditorium.

Mr. Sapiro will deliver an address at Fulton on the evening of January 18 and will come to Maryville from there.

A definite announcement as to the time and place of the address as well as something about the work of Mr. Sapiro will be made later.

REBELS DEFEATED; 200 ARE CAPTIVES

IS FIRST DECISIVE DEFEAT FOR REVOLUTIONARY FORCES

CALLES TO TAKE CHARGE

Will Command Soldiers In Attack On Huerta Followers—Strict Censorship Is Established

Tampico, Dec. 18.—Federal troops have inflicted crushing defeats upon the rebels at San Marcos, capturing about 200 prisoners, according to advices received from Mexico City this morning.

New York, Dec. 18.—Indications that internal conditions in Mexico were growing more serious was contained in an announcement by the Western Union Telegraph Co. today that all messages to Mexico City were subject to a delay of at least forty hours.

The Mexican government has established a strict censorship at the border over all messages sent by the way of the Laredo land lines.

Tampico, Dec. 18.—It was reported from Mexico City today that George T. Summerlin, the American Charge de Affairs, has offered the friendly offices of the United States for intervention in the Mexican civil strife. That a rebel attack against the federals defending the Tampico oil fields was indicated by the movement of troops today.

General Calles is due here tonight and will take charge of the troops against the rebel forces.

Four Perish When Fire Destroys Houston Hotel

Capital Hotel Is Razed By Flames Which Raged For Five Hours—Searching For More Dead

Houston, Tex., Dec. 18—Four bodies were removed from the ruins of the Capital Hotel building which was destroyed by fire which raged for five hours. Three of the charred bodies were removed by firemen while the building was burning and the fourth was taken out shortly before noon.

The blaze was brought under control about 12 o'clock today.

Search was being made this afternoon for other bodies which may have perished in the ruins.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 18.—Three unrecognizable charred bodies were taken by firemen from the burning Capital Hotel building today while seven streams of water were being poured on the flaming structure.

Two of the bodies were removed from the main floor while a third was discovered by firemen who bravely fought their way to the second floor through the smoke and flames.

The blaze broke out at 6 o'clock this morning as many guests were asleep in their rooms. It is impossible to tell now if any more persons died in the conflagration but only three had been discovered up to 11 o'clock this morning.

Two adjoining buildings were destroyed in the fire. The Capital hotel is in the heart of the business district of Houston.

H. S. Senior Class to Decide Motto, Colors

The seniors of the Maryville High School held a meeting this morning at the High School to decide about the choosing of the class motto, colors and flowers. Committees were appointed to select a list from which the class will select at a future meeting.

Mrs. Bob Yeaman of Graham visited in Maryville today.

INSURGENTS STILL DEADLOCK SENATE

BUT THEY ARE GAINING VOTES FROM REPUBLICAN REGULARS

DEMOCRATS ARE LOYAL

Standing Behind Smith Of South Carolina As Interstate Commerce Committee Head

Washington, Dec. 18.—The little militant group of Republican insurgents this afternoon continued to block the organization of the Senate of the Sixty-eight Congress.

Drawing additional strength from the ranks of the so-called Republican "regulars," the insurgents deadlocked the election of a chairman of the Interstate Commerce committee, one of the most powerful in the Senate.

On the day's first ballot, the fifteenth in the contest, the insurgents won over Senator Hiram Johnson, Republican of California, and Senator Arthur Capper, Republican of Kansas. They joined the "Progressives" in voting for Couzens of Michigan as a compromise candidate, which brought the insurgent strength to fourteen votes, the highest yet recorded.

The Republican "regulars" continued to vote for Cummins of Iowa, and the Democrats presented a solid front for Smith of South Carolina. The result: Smith 39; Cummins 37; Couzens 14.

There was no change on the second ballot. On the fifth ballot, there was further disintergration of the Republican ranks. Senator Willis of Ohio joined Borah in voting for Fess, and Senator Edge of New Jersey dropped Couzens to vote for Senator McLean of Connecticut, the third ranking member of the committee.

On the fifth ballot, the result was: Smith 39; Cummins 35; Couzens 13; Fess 3; McLean 1.

The sixth ballot showed the following: Smith 39; Cummins 36; Couzens 12; Fess 2; McLean 1.

Senator Smith, the Democratic candidate, gained a vote on the next ballot and Cummins lost one, the result being as follows: Smith 40; Cummins 35; Couzens 11; Fess 2.

Washington, Dec. 18—Although the House of Representatives began to function properly today, the legislative wheels of the Sixty-eighth Congress remained blocked due to the deadlock in the Senate.

A well-managed move was launched in the upper House to elect Senator Couzens of Michigan to the chairmanship of the Interstate Commerce committee as a compromise candidate.

A hand-full of administration Senators and the insurgent group were united behind Couzens. The peace negotiations were sponsored by Senator Borah of Idaho. His efforts were directed toward pacifying the regular Republicans who were supporting Senator Cummins of Iowa for chairman of the committee.

The traditional seniority rule in the United States Senate by which every chairman has held office since time immemorial was the chief stumbling block to a settlement of the dispute. The regular Republicans are opposed to accepting Couzens as a compromise candidate because he ranks eighth on the committee among the Republican members.

U. S. Has No Reason To Recognize Russia

Soviet Government's Battle For Recognition Meets Failure At Hands Of Hughes

Washington, Dec. 18—Soviet Russia's battle for recognition and resumption of closer relations with the United States met failure today.

Secretary Hughes instructed the American consul at Reval, Russia to advise the Soviet authorities at Moscow that "there seems to be at this time, no reasons for negotiations."

To Visit in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mutz left today for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will spend three weeks visiting at the home of Mr. Mutz's sisters there.

Ralph Appleman of Skidmore was in Maryville today.

THE WEATHER

Fair and somewhat warmer tonight, above freezing; Wednesday partly cloudy with moderate temperature.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NODAWAY COUNTY.

Bible Thought for Today

THE POWER OF THOUGHT.—As he thinketh in his heart, so is he.—Proverbs 23:7.

AMERICANS INTO THE ENQUIRY.

At the solicitation of England, France and Germany, President Coolidge has decided to approve the participation of American experts in the investigation of German's economic conditions. Already the extreme alarmists are declaring it will plunge us into another war and predicting that we will again be "sending soldiers across the seas."

We may some time send soldiers across the seas again but it will not be because we allowed citizens to take an unofficial and friendly part in helping to bring order out of chaos and settle a difficulty that concerns the whole civilized world. We took part in a war and helped whip a bully that threatened the whole world. He was soundly whipped, laid flat of his back, stripped of his weapons and then we left the scene of action, with the other nations guarding the bully. Five years have passed, the bully is still flat of his back and growing weak from exhaustion while the others are wrangling over what to do with him and whether to let him go his way in peace. If we had any business in the affair in the first place, the least we can do now is to advise with the others as to how best to untangle the situation. They can take our advice or leave it. The nations with whom we fought are asking this and the bully is asking it, knowing that we have no selfish ends to serve.

The United States has many times used its good offices to promote peace and harmony among nations and has never been involved in trouble on that account. There is no reason now why representatives may not act in an advisory capacity whether official or unofficial. If the logic of the "bitter enders" was followed to its limit, we would not be safe in sending any kind of business representatives abroad to deal with the repersentatives of other nations. We have ambassadors in all the principal countries of the world and consuls by the thousands. They are all compelled to converse, reason and negotiate with foreign governments and none of them has ever brought this country into war.

There is no reason to believe that representatives of this country can not be trusted to guard the interests and honor of this country when in Europe nor that they can not take along with them their integrity, courage and good sense. Diplomats have gone to Europe on all sorts of missions for the last century and returned without getting us into war. So long as the world is as interdependent in every way as it is, a policy of complete isolation is just about as possible as for a town in this country shut itself off and declare it won't have anything to do with any other town. During the flu epidemic a few years ago, we knew a lady in good health who became so alarmed that she refused to have anything to do with other people and refused to admit any callers. She shut the doors, closed the windows and pulled down the blinds and, after some time, took the flu and died while some of her neighbors still walked the streets in safety. The reasonable course is the best course in all cases.

If President Coolidge can see any possible good that may come from the participation of these representatives, the country will wish them god speed and hope for the best.

An exchange says, "whiskers are coming back." It probably refers to Santa Claus.

Aerial "flivvers" are being developed in both France and England and there is every indication that they will be found practical and come into general use. A two seated plane can be built for about $1200 which can be run very economically and for much longer distances without stopping than the larger machines. When the time comes for the airplane to compete with the automobile, the all round, general purpose machine will be the air flivver just as the ground flivver is among the automobiles.

The man who teaches the people to believe that the constitution of his country should be defied and its laws openly violated is a dangerous teacher whether he be on the corner soap box or high in official life. The foundation of good citizenship rests in obedience to law and any other course is subversive of the fundamental principles on which this government is founded. If the people have a law they do not want, they can have it repealed, but they can't defy it and expect the people to respect other laws.

It has been the universal history of mankind that where transportation is ready and easy, civilization follows, and that where transportation is scarce and difficult, there is lawlessness and barbarism. Good roads make it easy for people to come into general communication, they make it easy to attend school and improve the schools, they bring the traveler, the lecturer, the library, the introduction of new ideas, improved farms and modern conveniences in living and a general desire for information and greater education along all lines. This is all aside from the commercial benefits and business gains. Nothing will advance civilization more than good roads and convenient methods of transportation.

UNION ITEMS.

Sixty-one people of our community enjoyed an oyster supper at our school house Monday night.

We made $41.47 at our box supper Thursday night. The following program was given by the patrons of the district:

Reading—Mrs. Clyde Cassel.

Dialogue—The Boarding House, by Hayden brothers.

Reading, The Case of Fits, by Bernice Howard.

Play—School Days.

Reading—Mrs. Therman Carmichael.

Recitation—Gladys Cook.

Music was furnished by the Hayden brothers of Union district and I. V. Moore of Harmony neighborhood.

Clay Moody and family spent Wednesday evening at Alfred Jones.

Therman Carmichael and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Carmichael's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hiles of Mound City.

The men of our community have finished husking their corn.

Jim [illegible]dz has gone to Nebraska for a visit.

The men of the district are working on the basement of our school house.

We have a new oil stove for our school house. We are going to start to serve hot lunches Monday.

Our community is going to give a surprise party for Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schooler and family, who are leaving the neighborhood.

Earl Miller and Mrs. McKeln of music department of Kansas City, Mo., spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayden and family.

Mrs. Florence Howard and daughters of Maryville attended the box supper at Union Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. I. V. Moore of Harmony attended the box supper at Union Thursday evening.

JONES BRANCH NEWS DIST. 129

Mrs. A. J. Logan and children, Buster, Opal and Clarence visited our school Tuesday afternoon. We wish more of the parents would follow their example. Come again you are always welcome.

C. C. Carr shipped hogs Friday.

Harold and Junior Brown were absent from school Thursday.

G. F. Clements shipped hogs Friday.

Truman Carr had the misfortune to get his leg broken, Tuesday morning, by a horse falling on him. We are sorry to hear of this, as we shall miss Truman at school.

The children are busy selling Christmas seals.

We are busy practicing our Christmas songs and recitations. We will have our Christmas tree Monday, December, 24 at 2 o'clock. Everyone is welcome to come.

The primary people are busy making red and green chains to decorate the school room.

The main conversation we hear at school these days is about what we want "Old Santa" to bring us. We are all being good as we are afraid "Santa" will pass us by if we aren't good.

The agriculture class have some good note books.

Forumettes

Have you ever noticed
That the bigger an
Opportunity is the
Less noise it makes?

Why is it that the things we forget the quickest usually are those which we should remember?

In the old days when a rounder invited his friends to the bar and said, "Boys name your poison," he said it in fun, but if he says it now it has a real meaning.

Uncle Abner, the town philosopher, says there is no such things as old fashioned honesty is always in style.

We often say a man is "generous to a fault" and we have noticed that it usually is that person's own particular faults which are involved.

You can put fifty safety brakes on a car and automobiling will not be a bit safer until we find some way to put brakes on irresponsible drivers.

We saw a sign over in Ravenwood in a restaurant window which read "chicken gimlets."

A Maryville newlywed says she has found a good way to save steps in her kitchen. She says she carries the can opener in her pocket.

We are always being told that going to bed early makes one wise but have you noticed that of all the birds in the feathered kingdom the one credited with wisdom is the owl and he stays up all night?

If a girl decides her chances of getting a man are slim she sets out to get a career.

Our idea of a thoughtful person is one who parks his chewing gum on the underside of a restaurant table where a diner can annex it when he crosses his legs under the table.

The Dodgers

Auto Dodgers—Pedestrians.
Tax Dodgers—Financiers.
Issues Dodgers—Statesmen.

Noted pschyologist says the slow thinking man lives the longest. But if he ever tried to cross an auto infested street of Maryville he would not have written that.

Louise, the stenographer says even though the clock strikes it keeps on working.

"Reckless auto driver must go" a police authority said the other day. Well that is what he is doing.

A friendly clerk at a drug store tells us that men chew more gum than women. He thinks it is a holdover habit from the old clove chewing days.

"Them is the kind of rings the guy who marries me must buy," a flapper was overheard to remark as she looked into a jewelry store window where engagement rings ranging in price from $500 to $1,200 were displayed.

If Nero didn't play the fiddle any better than some fellows play the saxaphone we are not a bit surprised that Rome burned.

The average wife can always get a laugh when her husband tries to fix the sewing machine. The intricacies of needle and bobbin are too deep for most men.

It is true that you can't fool all the people all the time as Lincoln said, but we have noticed that there are a lot of people who are fooling themselves all the time.

Men may be unjust in their criticisms of the fool things which women wear, but we have yet to hear an argument that could convince us that earrings improved a woman's looks.

Vagrant Musings

There are a lot of people who console themselves with the thought that those who have nothing in this world will have everything in the next.

Intollerance and ignorance are twin brothers.

Just because a man has a string of college degrees is no sign he will make as good living as a plasterer or a brick layer.

We understand the highwaymen's union plans to admit garage repair men into their newly formed union.

No one loves a quitter unless it happens to be a person inclined to talkativeness.

Today's Vaudeville Patter

Biff—I am thinking of taking up writing for a living and I wonder if you could suggest a title for a book, which would be a good seller.

Bang—Well, if I was to write a book to be classed among the best sellers I would call it, "How to Get Fifty Miles on a Gallon of Gas."

Clearmont News

Guy Calry moved from his farm the first of this week, to his mother's house on South Pine street and Harve Bush moved to the farm, which he has rented.

Mr. and Mrs. Benthien of Emporia, Kan., came in Wednesday of last week for a few weeks visit with their son, George Benthien and family, and they may decide to locate here.

W. P. Wallace and wife left last Thursday for a trip to California few weeks visit with Mrs. Wallace's father, Dr. John Shearer and other relatives.

Chester Bancroft and little son and Mrs. W. P. Lemon came in Saturday from Emmett, Idaho on a visit to relatives.

EUDORA ITEMS

The Eudora school is going to have a Christmas tree Monday afternoon, December 24th, and would like for every one in the district to come.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Pennington and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Pennington and family.

Jim and Virgil Hagey spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Clemmit and family visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson and family Wednesday afternoon.

Lillie Mae Pennington was absent from school Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kelly and daughter, Kate visited with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sloan and family Sunday.

Mr. Neal Chambers was badly burnt when putting alcohol in a car.

Miss Marjorie Hankins of Burlington Junction spent Sunday with Miss Agnes and Mary Esther Allen.

Miss Agnes and Mary Esther Allen spent Saturday with Miss Marjorie Hankins.

Joe Shorts had a sale Wednesday afternoon.

Kellogg's Bran is prepared to do one thing—AND DO IT WELL!

Kellogg's Bran will permanently relieve constipation, mild or chronic. It is scientifically prepared for that purpose. It is ALL BRAN, therefore it has the necessary bulk to assure results. Foods with a small bran content cannot afford permanent relief.

When your physician or friends advise you to eat Kellogg's Bran, you follow-on for the purpose of eliminating a dangerous clogging-up and toxic condition of your system. You can't afford to take half-way measures! Think of the lost time and the dangers of illness you are daily dodging!

What you must have is real bran—KELLOGG'S BRAN, and if you will eat it regularly each day you will become a different person within a week or so. Kellogg's Bran, with its natural bulk, sweeps, cleanses and purifies. It not only gives relief, but it regulates the bowels. Every member of your family should eat it—every day—at least two tablespoonfuls; in chronic cases as much with each meal.

Try Kellogg's Bran mixed with a hot cereal, or cook it with hot cereals, adding two tablespoonfuls of Bran for each person. Other popular ways are to sprinkle Kellogg's Bran on hot or cold cereals or to eat it as a cereal with hot milk. You can make delicious bakery products with Kellogg's Bran. Recipes on every package.

Kellogg's Bran is not only nationally sold in grocery stores, but can be had in individual packages in first-class hotels and clubs. Ask for it at your restaurant. Be certain to eat Kellogg's Bran daily for health's sake!

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Why not give one of the most practical gifts it is possible? These beautiful robes are used for so many purposes. They are used for automobile robes, couch covers, carriage robes, shawls, and hundreds of other uses.

These elegant robes are priced from **$7.50** to **$22.50** each

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A box of Engelmann's choice Fresh Cut Chrysanthemums, Poinsetfias, Roses, Carnations, Sweet Peas, Narcissus, etc., will help you in your selections. complete your gifts to friends and loved ones with beautiful flowers. Christmas is not complete without flowers and flowers alone can best express to them your innermost thoughts.

A complete line of flowers, plants, decorative materials, wreaths, baskets, etc. Quality at reasonable prices.

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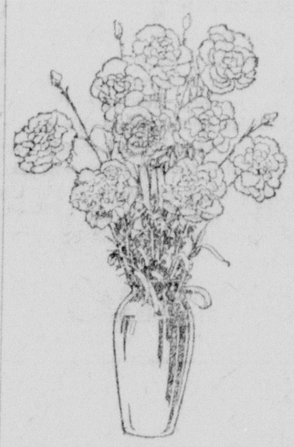

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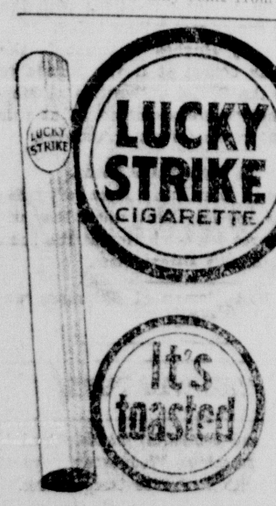

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We welcome new accounts of One Dollar or more. We have a Bank Book waiting for you.

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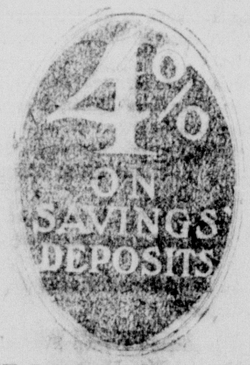

NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Mo.

Automobile Club Opens Office in Maryville

Motor Car Licenses in Number of Northwest Missouri Counties May Be Obtained at Office

The divisional headquarters of the Automobile Association of Missouri has been established here at 409 North Main street with Earl Sams in charge of the Maryville office.

The purpose of the headquarters here is to furnish road information to motor car owners whether living in Nodaway County or tourists passing through here. A great many maps have been placed in the office here and all automobile owners are invited to the office to obtain road information.

Automobile licenses will also be issued by the Maryville office. Motorists may now obtain their plates here instead of sending to Jefferson City for them. Maryville will be the headquarters for license distribution for a number of counties in Northwest Missouri. All motorists in these counties will make application to the office here for their automobile plates.

Mrs. Bohm Here

Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colo., arrived in Maryville yesterday afternoon to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Ferdinand Townsend, and Mr. Townsend. Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. E. L. Townsend and Mrs. W. J. Montgomery motored to St. Joseph yesterday morning to meet her.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eckert spent Sunday afternoon in Bolckow with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Chamberlain.

Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Dunshee and little son, Robert Edward of Stanberry were week-end guests of Mrs. Dunshee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Godsey.

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Think of the time and drudgery fifty-two days each year that a Clarinda Electric Washer would save her. The Clarinda is just the kind of a washer she has longed for. It takes all the real work out of washing.

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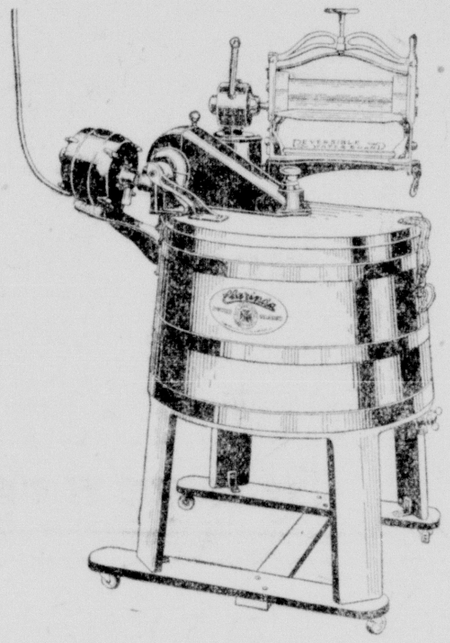

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DEAR FOLKS:

If you really knew what wonderful, sweet music your neighbor enjoys with the New Edison, no one would have to tell you why you should have one in your home.

The Edison is not an ordinary phonograph with scratchy needles to change and wear out your records, but a musical instrument that gives you the living, breathing artist, the natural sobs of the saxophone and sweet tones of the violin. Your neighbor knows this is true, and if you have a musical ear you will recognize why people who buy an Edison do not care to listen to the ordinary needle talking machine.

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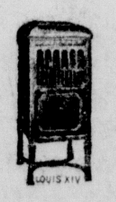

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SPORTS

KITTYCATS BEAT M. H. S. 51 TO 19

BOTH TEAMS SHOW STRONG OFFENSIVE POSSIBILITIES

M. H. S. PLAY PARNELL

New and Murray Show Up Well For High School—Bruckner and Raines On S. T. C.

The S. T. C. Kittycats defeated the Maryville High School girls basketball team in a practice game at the High School gymnasium by a 51 to 19 score. The first half ended with a 27 to 7 count, but the College team in the second half was composed for the most part of substitutes and so did not run up such a high score.

The game showed that each team had a powerful offensive strength when once started while the guarding was not so good. Mildred New and Fern Murray in the center section were about equally matched with McNeal and Clark of the College team were a trifle faster. The center section of the High School is the strongest department on the team.

For the College, Mabel Raines and Lorene Bruckner displayed good form and were acurate at hitting the goal. The High School guards, Miller and Keplin, played defensive game and stopped the scoring of Raines and Bruckner in a commendable fashion for High School players.

At forwards Raines and Dow were the best High School goal shooters. They play good team work and were accurate shots. The College guards, Cook, Hardwick and Kissee were the best bets of the College on the defensive game.

The High School team under the coaching of Miss Lois Nash shows itself a team to be reckoned with by other teams in the district. Every section on the court is as strong as the last year's team while all of the players have had past experience except Miller.

The College team shows the same power as of the former years on offense although the defensive playing is not yet perfected. By the first of the year the Kittycats will be playing in good form and will be ready to meet the women's team of Missouri Wesleyan on the 11th of the month.

The High School girl's basketball schedule at the High School is as follows:

January 11—Rosendale at Rosendale.
January 25—Bethany at Maryville.
February 1—Parnell at Parnell.
February 8—Rosendale at Maryville.
February 22—Parnell at Maryville.

The opening game with Rosendale should be a closely contested affair as Rosendale was runner-up in the Northwest indoor tournament held at the College and has been practicing for over a month.

Little is known concerning the Bethany team except that almost all of last year's players are back in the line-up.

On February 1, Maryville meets Parnell, the Indoor champions of Northwest Missouri and Nodaway county winners in a game at Parnell. This is the crucial game of the schedule.

Lois Nash, coach, said that it is probable that a game would be scheduled to be played the week before the Rosendale game.

John Martin and son and Harry Jones of Elmo were in Maryville yesterday.

HAGENSICK LOSES TO BLONDY CHICK

AT MARYVILLE ATHLETIC CLUB LAST NIGHT

BEN CHANDLER REFEREE

Barackman Throws Two Men In Handicap Match—Robey and Aley In a Preliminary

Blondy Chick who has been making his headquarters in Maryville recently defeated Jack Hagensick of Hamilton, Mo., in straight falls last night at the Maryville Athletic Club over the George McMurry Garage. A fair sized crowd was in attendance. Ben Chandler officiated at all the matches during the evening.

Hagensick, who is lighter in weight than Blondy Chick, was behind his man during most of the first fall and secured many hold but did not seem able to hold them on his opponent. Chick scored the first fall in ten minutes with a bar arm lock. Hagensick had the best of it until the last two minutes of the first fall. His hand was slightly hurt.

The second fall also went to Chick. He scored the winning fall with the same hold, a bar arm lock, after nineteen minutes of fast wrestling. It appeared all during the bout that Hagensick was not strong enough to clamp on a hold that would make his opponent say the word.

A fast preliminary where the boys mixed freely was between LaVerne Robey and George Aley, two local boys. The match went to a draw after they had restled the ten minute limit.

The semi-windup event during the evening was a handicap match, an affair wherein Barackman took on two unknown men. Barackman grappled with the two for about fifteen minutes. He put one man on his back and soon made quick work of the other.

Stecher Beats Giant Pole at St. Joseph

Joe Stecher, former holder of the heavyweight wrestling crown, defeated Miehl Zongolowicz, the giant Pole, in the Lyceum Theater at St. Joseph last night. He won in straight falls.

The Pole went down to defeat when Stecher applied the body scissors on him after forty-nine minutes of wrestling.

Stecher scored the second fall in shorter time, winning the fall in fifteen minutes with the same kind of hold.

H. S. Cagers to Meet Pickering Tomorrow

Harold G. Ebert, basketball coach at the High School, has scheduled a game for the Spoofhounds to be played on Friday night. This will be the opening game of the season for the boys' team of the High School. Ebert's cagers will meet the basketball five of the Blanchard, Ia., High School that night on the Blanchard court.

The Green and Black boys' court team will stage a practice game with the team from Pickering tomorrow night at the High School gymnasium. This will be a chance for the members of the large squad, which has been practicing for the last three weeks, to show their wares and to give the coach a lineup on the material with which he has to work.

Cox's Regular Sale Day

Star Pavilion, at Maryville

Next Saturday, Dec. 22

100 head of good stock hogs already listed. List anything you have for sale. This will be a good one.

A. J. Cox, Auct.

PATRONS CAN HELP RURAL CARRIERS

O. G. NULL OF PICKERING WRITES AN ARTICLE.

CO-OPERATION IS NEEDED

Box Should Be Properly Erected, Approaches to Box, by Stamping All Letters, and Etc.

Editor Democrat-Forum:

At this season of the year when the mails are congested by the annual pre-holiday mailings, and every division of the Postal employees is putting forth extra effort in the delivery and dispatch of the mails, the Rural Letter Carriers are not behind their fellow workmen in their efforts to give 100% efficient service.

In order, however, that their efforts may be most successful, cooperation on the part of the patrons of rural mail service is necessary.

Allow us, therefore, to suggest some ways in which the patrons may without expense to themselves, greatly aid in expediting the delivery of the daily mails.

First, by seeing that his box is properly erected in a substantial manner, easy of access without the carrier having to cross or drive into a ditch or dismount from his vehicle in order to serve the box.

Second, by seeing that the approaches to his box are kept free from drifts after a storm and that the ice is broken off the door of his mail box before the arrival of the carrier after a sleet. It is the patrons place always to see this his box is in condition for the reception of the mail.

Third, by stamping all out going letters and cards before mailing them. Stamps cost no more before your letter is written than afterward and every patron should provide himself with a modest supply of postage and stamp his own mail instead of leaving coins in the box in lieu of postage.

The rule allowing coins to be left in the box at all is but an emergency measure and should be so considered. The persons who habitually leaves his letters and cards for the Carrier to stamp is not only imposing upon his Carrier but is abusing the privilege granted to the Rural Service alone. It is not only an imposition upon the Carrier's time but it leaves a bad taste in his mouth and takes a lot of the joy out of the Christmas season for him to have to affix a lot of stamps that should have been put on by the sender.

Fourth, by putting his return address on the left hand upper corner of his package or letter before mailing. Over a million pieces of mail were returned to the senders last year from the Dead Letter Office which could have been returned much more quickly from the office of address had the name of the sender been placed on the outside of the wrapper before mailing. Over one and a half million dollars in stamps, currency, checks, drafts and money orders were also returned in the same way while thousands of dollars were not returnable as the senders name did not appear either inside or out side the package or letter. This would all have been returned from office of address had proper care been used in mailing.

Fifth, by using the application blanks furnished by the P. O. Department when desiring a Money Order. It is necessary that such application be filled out before the Post Master will issue a money order and it is the business of the patron to fill it out instead of leaving it for the carrier to do. The use of these blanks avoids mistakes on the part of the carrier and enables the patron to transact his money order business in a business way.

Sixth, by using a coin receptacle of some sort when leaving money in the box for any purpose whether for money order or stamps. Loose coins are difficult to pick up with out removing ones gloves and are frequently dropped on the ground causing unnecessary delay and annoyance. A fruit jar cap or similar article answers very nicely for a coin cup and is much more convenient than glass tumblers or tea cups which are hard to hold in gloved hands and also interferes with placing mail in the box.

Trusting that these suggestions may find a lodgment in the minds of the patrons of Rural Mail Service, not only during the holiday rush, but throughout the year, to the end that they will co-operate with their carriers in making the service better, and assuring every patron that not only will his cooperation be appreciated by his carrier but he will be rewarded by quicker and better service. We beg to remain yours for more efficient service.

Rural Letter Carriers Association,
O. G. Null, Secretary.

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS EATS NOW, SPECIAL BARGAINS FOR THIS WEEK.

Oranges, good medium size Calif. Navals at....20c doz. Look these over, they are a real bargain.

Oranges, larger sizes at ..40c, 50c and 60 dozen.

Grape Fruit, largest size, each 10c

Fresh Roasted Peanuts, per lb 15c

Manchurian English Walnuts, per lb 20c

Good mixed Nuts, per lb..20c

After Dinner Brand, Cluster Raisins, per pkg 25c

Fancy Imported Smyrna Figs in 2 lb boxes.....75c

Kamo Midget Peas, per can 30c

Maine Sugar Corn, per can 20c

4 lbs Yellow Jersey Sweet Potatoes 25c

Bulk Dates, per lb.....15c

Mince Meat in bulk, lb....20c

Butter Nut Coffee, the coffee delicious, 1 lb can.....45c
3 lb cans.....$1.30

Cooking Figs, per lb.....15c

Fresh Yellow Wax Beans, per lb 15c

6 oz. glass jars Olive Butter, just the thing for salads and sandwiches 25c

Plenty of fresh Head or Leaf Lettuce, Celery, Cauliflower, Spinach, Cranberries, Grapes, Delicious Apples, Jonathan Apples, etc.

Dressed Poultry for Christmas

We will take your orders for Chickens, Geese and Ducks, for delivery Dec. 24.

Extra Select Oysters, fresh from Baltimore, pint 50c

Link Sausages, per lb.....22c

Fresh Hams (whole) lb....15c

Fresh Shoulder (whole), per lb 12c

Spareribs, 2 lbs.....25c

Sir Loin or Round Steak, per lb 25c

Pure Pork Sausage, seasoned to suit the taste, per lb 15c

Prime rib or Shoulder Beef Roast, per lb.....18c

Veal Steak of Cutlets, lb..30c

Swift's Premium Bacon, 4 to 6 lb pieces, per lb...35c

Frankfurters, per lb.....20c

This Store Will Close all day Christmas.

WE SELL FOR CASH.

Telephone your orders early and help us give you better service.

Buhler's

118 East Third St.

Foote Relatives Called Here

Mrs. Martha L. Goff of Princeton, Kan., and William Foote of Chillicothe have been summoned to Maryville by the serious illness of their mother, Mrs. Mary J. Foote. The latter has been here since a week ago yesterday and Mrs. Goff came last Wednesday. Mrs. Foote is at the home of her step-daughter, Mrs. D. J. Busby. She is 87 years old and little hope is entertained for her recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Slagle and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Elliott of Grant City were Maryville visitors yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Booher and Mrs. Jess Beaver of Burlington Junction were Maryville visitors yesterday.

Miss Ella Smith of Bolckow is visiting here sister, Miss Vivian Smith, a student at the State Teachers College.

H. S. Boys' Society to Put Out a Magazine

Will Appear Sometime In the Spring—Staff Is Chosen At Meeting This Morning

A magazine or pamphlet will be published by the boys' literary society of the Maryville High School. The editing of this paper has been under discussion by the boys' society for a long time and the decision to put one out just made recently.

At a meeting this morning of the society the staff was selected:

Editor in chief—Walter Allen.

Literary Editors—Carl King, Willis Wamsley.

Joke editor—Lewis Liston.

Art editor—Herbert Hudson.

Contributing editor—Raymond Cohn

The magazine will be paid for by the contribution of thirty boys in the High School. Just one issue will be published and it will appear sometime in the spring. All members of the society will be required to contribute something to the magazine.

Rites for Mrs. Bishop Held This Afternoon

The Rev. R. E. Snodgrass Had Charge of Funeral Service—Burial In Miriam Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Alpha Bishop, who died Saturday night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Colvin, were held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at the Christian Church. The body lay in state at the church from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. The Rev. R. E. Snodgrass had charge of the funeral. A quartette comprising Mrs. Loren Schnabel, Mrs. R. E. Snodgrass, W. E. Goforth and John Mutz sang several selections. Members of Rosanna Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, attended the funeral in a body and conducted their ceremonial at Miriam cemetery where burial took place. The pallbearers included Hal Catterson, Harry Lyle, Alfred Estes, L. M. Rilea, Joe Cornell and W. L. Rhodes. A number of out-of-town relatives and friends attended the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rasco and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Council of Barnard visited in Maryville yesterday.

"DEAR SANTA CLAUS"

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 10, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old. Today is my birthday. I go to school every day. Miss Hartman is my teacher and I am in the B first grade.

I would like to have a pop-gun, a drum and some candy and nuts for Christmas. I have three brothers, Stanley, George and Donald. Please remember all the other little boys and girls in the country, too.

Your little friend,
Joseph Paul Aley.
1010 N. Fillmore St., Maryville, Mo.

Parnell, Mo., Dec. 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I have been a good little boy all year. I want a toy car and a tricycle, and a top and candy and nuts. I go to Logan school. My stocking will be hanging behind the door. Walk right in.

Ivan Mayfield.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 12, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I am writing you a letter to tell you what I would like for Xmas. I want a doll and a doll buggy, a pair of house slippers, two yellow handkerchiefs and some candy and nuts.

I am a little girl 4 years old. I live three miles north of Maryville, Mo. I am going to have a Xmas tree and will leave some popcorn and apples for you to eat if you are hungry. I will leave the door open so as you won't have to come down the chimney. Please bring my brother, Leonard something. He is 13 years old and remember the other little children.

Your little friend,
Gladys Cook.

Burlington Junction, Mo., Dec. 13, 1923

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing to tell you what I want for Xmas. I am a little boy 6 years old and in the first grade and go to school every day and I want a little gun and a drum and nice warm mittens, candy and nuts, and please remember all little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Harold Elam.

Burlington Junction, Mo., Dec. 13, 1923

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 10 years old. I don't want much for Christmas, but please bring me a string of beads, a ring, some books, candy and nuts. Don't forget my little brother, for he wants a knife, Kiddy Kar, some candy and nuts. He has been a good boy. His name is Merlin. He is 2 years old, and now before you go just fill our stockings from the top clear down to the toe.

Your loving little friend,
Mildred Symmonds.

Burlington Jct., Mo., Dec. 12, 1923

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eight years old. I don't want much for Christmas. You may bring me a doll, doll buggy, checker board, drawing set, set of furs, laundry set, bracelet with some sets in it, and some candy and nuts. You may also bring my little brother a gun with some birds to shoot, a car, watch, football and some candy and nuts. He is 4 years old. He is a pretty good boy.

Your little friend,
Pearl Dawson.

Maryville, Mo.
Dec. 14, 1923.

My dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll that says "Mama," some candy, chewing gum, ice cream, little table and chair, dishes, stove, little angel food cake pan, and a pair of bed room slippers. Now Santa I am trying to be a good girl until after Christmas and if I think of anything else I want I will write again.

Betty Jane Tarpley.

Pickering, Mo.
Dec. 13, 1923

Dear Mr. Santa Claus:

I want a doll head with curly hair and sleepy eyes and brown hair. A set of knives, forks and spoons and some candy, nuts and oranges and a piano.

Yours truly,
Eldena Runnels.

Pickering, Mo.
Dec. 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

How are you? I wish you would bring me a nice book and some games for Christmas. I wish you would bring the other little boys and girls lots of nice toys also.

Yours truly,
Violet Robinson.

Pickering, Mo.,
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, nuts, candy, a trunk and bed and a doll that says mama and with sleepy eyes, a cradle, basket ball, books and box of stationery and don't forget the other boys and girls.

Doris Lueretia Simmons.

Pickering, Mo.,
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to bring me a gun, some candy and nuts and don't forget the other little boys and girls.

Clement M. Simmons.

Burlington Junction, Mo.,
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I thought I would write a few lines to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a ball, a bat and a nice knife.

Yours truly,
Rex Chambers.

Maryville, Mo.
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 8 years old and I go to the Jones Branch School. I want three dolls, a little cabinet, set of dishes, cupboard.

Your little friend,
Lucille Brown.

Skidmore, Mo.
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I want a sled, my sister wants a doll that says mamma and some candy and nuts and do not forget the little poor children. I am 9 years old.

Lester Reaksecker, Jr.

Burlington Junction, Mo.
Dec. 15, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl. I am 9 years old. I go to Mount Vernon School. I am in the fifth grade. My teachers name is Mrs. Flossie Tanner. I like her very much. For Christmas I would like a real watch that will keep time, a brown dress all ready made, a pair of brown silk stockings, size nine and one-half, some story books, candy and nuts. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls.

From your little friend,
Jessie Wilma Griffey,
R. F. D. 2.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923

Dear Santa Claus:

I am writing you a letter to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a tricycle and a story book and some candy and nuts. I am 5 years old. I have a little brother, Loren. Please bring him lots of toys and candy, he is 10 months old.

Your little friend,
Leland Workman.

Burlington Jct., Mo., Dec. 12, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 11 years old. I do not want much for Christmas, but please bring me a fountain pen, a bracelet, a box of paints, a string of beads, and some candy and nuts. Don't forget my little three year old sister. She wants a string of beads, a doll and some candy and nuts. She has been a good little girl. Her name is Roberta, and now before you go just fill our stockings with presents and candy.

Your loving little friend,
Leona Symmonds.

RUMMAGE SALE
by St. Patrick ladies
Wednesday, Dec. 19
in building formerly occupied by Radio Supply Co. first door south of Arnold-Sillers.
Doors open at 8 a. m.

Will be in Maryville at Nodaway Valley Bank, Dec. 20 for collection taxes of Jackson Township.

H. W. BRADLEY,
Collector.

Buy your Christmas mincemeat and plum pudding at the Presbyterians food sale at Price's furniture store, Friday, the twenty-first.

Gulbransen Trade Mark

Better Music - and More of It - with a Gulbransen

What a joy to go to your Gulbransen and play what you want, when you want to!

What a satisfaction to play so well—with such genuine expression—that, aside from the personal pleasure of producing the music, it is a real treat for anybody to hear you!

But—playing alone, or entertaining a group of friends—you'll want the particular music that fits your mood, or the occasion. You'll want variety.

Variety—certainly the Gulbransen gives you that. For the Gulbransen plays all music rolls—any kind—any make—even electric reproducing rolls. It gives you a greater library of music than any player-piano.

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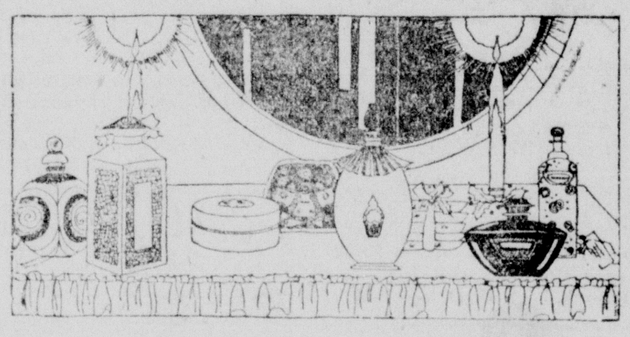

For Milady's Holiday -- Christmas Perfumes

There is no more appropriate gift for milady on Christmas than a bottle of Perfume. Its delicate fragrance "breathes a spirit of elegance and daintiness."

The most exacting person can be suited from our immense stock of Perfumes. We have the very kind that "Madame" most prefers. We also carry a complete line of toilette articles.

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Maryville, Mo.

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High grade Coals is one commodity in which we specialize. Just now we have some by product coke at an attractive price—it will take the place of hard coal and is much cheaper. CLEAN, DEPENDABLE HEAT is what you want—we furnish it, backed by service that pleases, too.

Shoemaker-Bovard

The Store of Practical Gifts

ALUMINUM WARE

When Holiday Dinners are mentioned, the housewife's thought turn at once to the Kitchen.

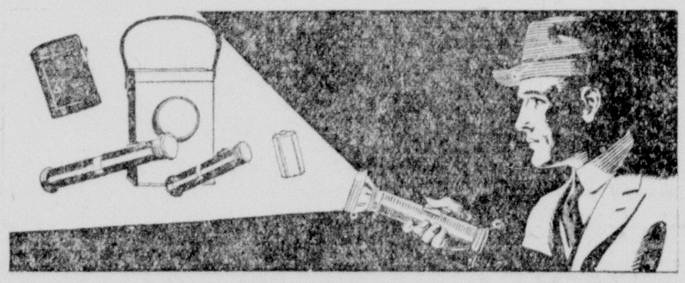
One of the greatest aids toward lightening labor is an ample supply of Aluminum Ware, an ample supply of which we have ready for your choosing.

Is The Hardware Of Geiss & Richards

South Side Square
Maryville, Missouri

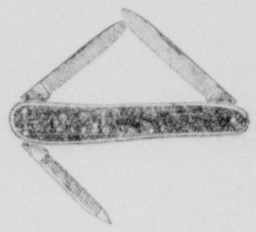
For this Christmas, Geiss & Richards, is offering you a store full of bargains; bargains in quality merchandise.

The articles illustrated in this Ad are just a few of the bargains to be found at this store.



A Light when and where you want it, is the one big advantage of owning a Flashlight. Simple in operation, lasting in service and moderate in cost are the Lights we offer below. Every kind of a light here at this store from 65c up.

A very acceptable Gift for Brother and Dad, is a KEEN KUTTER SAFETY RAZOR, special at 69c; also a supply of Hones and Straps.



Nothing will please the Boy more than one of our Pocket Knives, of which we have large and varied supply. Prices range from 10c to $1.50.

A Complete Line of GUNS and AMMUNITION

Open Evenings Until Christmas

Geiss & Richards

South Side Square Maryville, Mo.

Nothing more acceptable to Mother than a "One Minute" Electric Washer; from $79 up, or easy payment plan.

Also a complete line of other Electrical appliances for Gifts.

SOCIETY

Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Combs and family entertained at Sunday dinner, Mrs. Tena Combs and son, Jess and S. E. Dawson, all of Maryville, and Albert Powers. The afternoon guests were: George Combs and Jiles Smith and Linn Blackner.

Hostess at Luncheon.

Mrs. W. J. Montgomery will be hostess at an informal bridge luncheon tomorrow at her home on West Third street. Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colorada will be an out-of-town guest.

Reorganize Q. E. Circle.

A business meeting of the Queen Esther Circle of the First Methodist Church was held last evening at the home of Mrs. Blaine Archer in the Borrusch Flats for the purpose of reorganization. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gertrude Garrett; vice-president, Mildred Wray; corresponding secretary, Treva Phipps; recording secretary, Vira Fitz; treasurer, Hope Moore; and mite box secretary, Mary Curnutt. Mrs. T. B. Mumma was chosen as sponsor. The Circle will meet the first Monday evening of each month and the next meeting will be held January 7 with Treva Phipps. Mrs. Henry Wright, president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of which the Queen Esther Circle is an auxiliary, was a guest at the meeting.

Party at High School.

The girls of the Victorian Literary Society entertained the Claytonian Society and the faculty at an enjoyable party last night at the high school building. A short program consisting of the following numbers was given: Piano solo, Mildred Tebow; reading, Aleene Bolin; "Star of the East," chorus; reading, Doris Wallace; and a one act play, "The Triumph of Pauline." At the conclusion of the program Miss Laura B. Hawkins and L. L. St. Clair led the grand march. Games were later played at twenty tables, after which dainty refreshments were served.

Christmas Party.

A Christmas party will be given at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the basement of the First Methodist Church for the Cradle Roll and Beginners Departments of the Sunday School.

Entertain at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Harve Pope entertained at dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. William Allen and children, Bryan and Ada Irene, Mr. and Mrs. John Inman and son, Lewis, Claude Sewell and daughter, Alice, Eldora Daise of Graham, William Smock and daughter of Skidmore and Mrs. Mart Moody of Maryville.

Worl Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Worl entertained at dinner Sunday at their home ten miles southwest of Maryville. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bailey and sons, Orville and Clifford, Frank Bailey and son, Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Will Dempsey and children, Marjorie, Douglas and Agnes Arlene, Misses Irene and Dorothy Bailey, Miss Gladys DeWitt, Floyd Bailey, and Laverne and Doris Thelma Worl, children of the hosts.

Junior-Senior Party.

The juniors of the Maryville High School will give their annual holiday party for the seniors Thursday night at the high school building.

Annual Christmas Party.

The annual Christmas party for the student body and faculty of the State Teachers College will be held tomorrow night at the College building.

For Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall will entertain the members of the Knabb Country Club and their families Thursday night in observance of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Each member is requested to bring a gift not exceeding ten cents for the grab bag which will be one of the entertaining features.

Forsyth Dinner-Bridge

Mr. and Mrs. Luther E. Forsyth will be hosts at a 7 o'clock dinner tomorrow evening at the College Residence Hall when their guests will include the members of the Tuesday Luncheon Club and their husbands. The hosts and their guests later will play bridge at the Forsyth home on Main street. Mrs. Henry Bohm of Denver, Colo., will be an additional guest.

Hall Asks Recovery on Promissory Note

The suit of A. F. Hall against Charles H. Wilson and Edith Wilson on a promissory note to come up in the January term of Circuit Court was filed today. The plaintiff states in his petition that the defendants gave a promissory note on November 20, 1913 for the sum of $548.71 with interest at 8 per cent, on which only two installments of interest have been paid. He now asks for judgment for the principal, plus interest at 8 per cent compounded annually and for costs.

Albertie H. Hall, as administrator for the estate of Christopher C. Hall, filed suit against Charles H. Wilson and Edith on two promissory notes in Circuit Court today, to come up in the January term of court. The plaintiff states that on the first count a note for the sum of $679.38 with interest at 8 per cent was given by the defendants, that no interest installments or principal have been paid.

Also that on the some date a note was given for $1,000 with interest at 8 per cent payable March 1, 1914. Neither the principal or interest has been paid. The plaintiff is asking for recovery of the two sums, with interest at 8 per cent, compounded annually and for costs.

An application by George Bickett for a blind pension was also filed in the Circuit Court today.

Mr. Brink To Chicago

J. R. Brink will leave Thursday for Chicago where he will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harold Honnold Bellows and family.

Over 200 Persons in Cantata Sunday Night

Practically Every County in Northwest Missouri Was Represented at Musical at College Auditorium.

Over 200 persons were in the chorus of "The Coming of the King" which was given at the College auditorium Sunday night.

Practically every county in Northwest Missouri was represented in the chorus of the cantata.

The following is a complete list of those in the chorus at the musicale given at the College Sunday night:

College Chorus

Bass Section — Luther Richman, Russell Allan, Harvey Bush, Floyd Foreman, Jason Kemp, Harry Nelson, Temple Allen, Russel Hamilton, Robert Ruhl, Oren Masters, Arthur Elmore, Vern Moore, Harold Moore, Geo. McCurry, Forrest Carr, Ermil Coler, Raymond Brown, Milan Shell.

Tenors—R. McLain, Earl Hellar, H. W. Lemaster, Frederick Kurtz, Leland Medsker, Charley Karr, Cole Yeisley, Basil Frasier, David Max, Richard Runyan, Tom Merrigan, Lewis Worth, Floyd Lunsford, Alva Burch, Edwin Jones, Leo Halasey, Fred Street, Raymond Feusternacker, Dean Gillis, Everett Reynolds, L. Eddie Houston, Floyd Moore, Conrad Blackman, Rayman Jackson.

Sopranos and Altos—Ruth Pulley, Treva Phipps, Vira M. Fitz, Charline S. McHugh, Anna Dougherty, Jeanette Nugent, Ethel Anderson, Ruth Watson, Frances Hahn, Helen Shewey, Gladys Hahn, Leta Babb, Nina Mae Barth, Golda Danner, Alice Welling, Bernice Orcutt, Mattie Wyatt, Mary Esther Murphy, Ruth Houchens, Gertrude Belt, Thelma McReynolds, Esther Thompson, Katherine Duncan, Stenna Dooley, Mrs. Wm. Larson, Marisn Mothersead, Velma Inbody, Cleta McCoy, Hester Dickerson, Veronica Berg, Maybel Williams, Opal Martin, Elizabeth Sweat, Opal Schnitker, Ethel Lyle, Myrle Lyle, Mary Ginder, Mattie Crabtree, Myra Allee, Marie Carr, Mabel Runyan, Grace Dietz, Imogene Lowler, Minnie Hobson, Velma Jeffries, Mary O. Fields, Blanche Cochran, Frances Dorrel, Thelma Curnutt, Ruby Goodwin, Lucy Meyer, Glenell Colwell, Elizabeth Mills, Orra B. Clutter, Wilda Willsie, Wilma Cook, Hope Moore, Loretta Jones, Hettie M. Woodward, Lola Tuttle, Viola Copeland, Nellie E. Williams, Grace Colwell, Arlene Inbody, Mary Carlson, Grace Updike, Dorothy White, Alice Bulla, Sylvia Moore, Pearl Jones, Pauline Rodman, Gave Macrander, Blanche Floren, Esta Childers, Mildred Burks, Helen L. Clark, Lota Claire Landfather, Lillian Loomis.

Dorothy Newsome, Lena Johnson, Rosie Barth, Mary Fields, Lela Focks, Helen Ferguson, Orpha Stewart, Ethel Mae Gibson, Ruth Cline, Eula Martin, Mrs. Blanche Luther, Nellie Wood, Mrs. Chas. Lawrance, May Rose, M. Swinehart, Helen Qualls, Mary Carpenter, Mary McIntyre, Mary Hilsenbeck, Oma Gertrude Bancroft, Ada M. Brandt, Hazel C. Carr, Marie Ashford, Maude McClelland, Jaunite Miller, Laberta Kidwell, Pearl Neal, Eula M. McDonald, Marie Logan, Eula Miller, Josephine Miller, Edith Weller, Mary Holt, Helen Norman, Louise Weller, Irene Acton, Vera H. Partch, Florene Williams, Ruth Patton, Mildred Gartin, Elizabeth Reynolds, Norma M. Randall, Mamie Behm, Effa Nichols, Zelma Spidle, M. Louise Hosmer, Louise Perry, Catherine Remus, Zona Robertson, Reba Cliser, Thelma Shipps, Mayme Greene, Chloris Kissee, Goldie Hightree, Maud Lea Scott, Lola McNeil, Vivian Smith, Edna Younger.

Mabel Gee, Nell Jones, Gladys B. Andrew, Nona Pierce, Hope Manchester, Reed Smock, Mary Curnutt, Verle Pierse, Martha Alden, Mildred LaFavor, Mary Busby, Mrs. W. D. McDonald, Vera Clark, Ruth Lawrence, Eleanor Sawyers, Opal Stevenson, Olive Stevenson, Lena Finney, Beulah Mutz, Alyce Allen, Dorothy England, Rea Shell, Iva Mounts, Opal Mallory, Blanche Anderson, Zelma C. Neal, Lettye Wagenblast, Ruth Jessup, Anna Mae Holt, Esther Monk, Margaret Kerr, Lucille, LaMar, Mabel E. Raines, Ruth Ramsbottom, Georgia D. Everett, Mary Alexander, Margaret Mills, Zona Syster, Anna Everett, Edith Shoemaker, Ida Steph, Claire Davis, Bessie Bonham.

Sell Hogs at St. Joseph

Kenzie & Raney of this county had a shipment of hogs on the St. Joseph livestock market yesterday.—St. Joseph Stock Yards Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. George P. Shoptaugh of Elmo visited in Maryville today.

Aley and Doyle Get a Buttar Bred Ram

A fine ewe lamb was shipped to the southeastern part of the state yesterday by G. D. Aley and W. F. Doyle. Aley lives four miles north of the city. They have also received a ram lamb from Canada, being a Buttar bred lamb that will head their herd. The herd this year was headed by an imported Tannar bred ram from England.

Mrs. Martin Dyer of Pawhuska, Okla., who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. P. J. Lyon, and family for a week, left yesterday for her home.

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MARYVILLE'S REAL CITY STORE

Gifts For Him

Every day you hear this expression, "It is so hard to select presents for men, there's so few things that are really suitable."

That's because they have not made a search in this store for gifts for men. There is really an abundance of gift things that just suit men, regardless of his likes and dislikes.

Remember, you have but five shopping days left before Christmas. You can't afford to put it off longer—make your selections now.

Here is a partial list of gift things for men that you will find at this "The Store of the Christmas Spirit."

Leather Bill Folds
Pen and Pencil Sets
Fountain Pens
Silver and Gold Pencils
Neckties
Handkerchiefs
Wool and Silk Socks
Cuff Links
Manicure Sets
Waldemir Chains
Shaving Sets
Smoking Sets
Tobacco Jars
Belt Buckles
Knives on Chains
Cigar Clippers
Book Ends
Reading Lamps
Books
Thermos Bottles
Bath Robes
Auto Robes
Traveling Bags
Suit Cases
Trunks
Stationery
Toilet Preparations
Playing Cards
Bridge Score Pads
Christmas Cards
Many other items await your choosing.

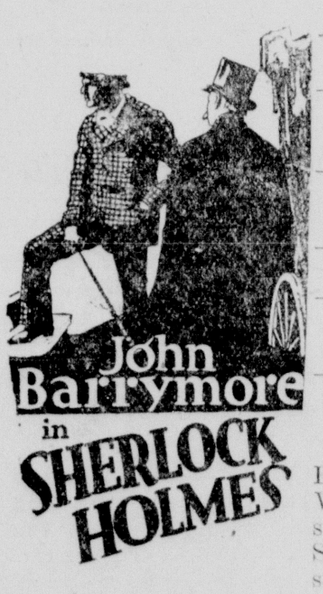
REMEMBER, THIS IS "THE CHRISTMAS STORE" AND EVERY AISLE IS FILLED WITH GIFT THINGS.

EMPIRE THEATRE

LAST TIME TONIGHT—

A Few of the Thrills in "SHERLOCK HOLMES"

—Alice Faulkner disappears from view.
—The shadow of Moriarty on the wall.
—Holmes block the murderous plat at the gas house.
—Moriarty stages an attack on Baker Street.
—The rescue of Alice from certain death.
—Moriarty's disguise fools everybody but Sherlock Holmes.
—And a hundred other absorbing situations!



Directed by Albert Parker. Adapted from William Gillette's stage play founded on Sir Conan Doyle's stories.

Under Auspices of Eurekan Society. 10c, 27c and 3c

Wednesday and Thursday—
Colleen Moore in, "BROKEN CHAINS."
Also Comedy.

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Christmas Books

Gifts for all the family will be found in our complete Book department — Children's stories, Modern fiction, Classical, Popular poetry—all remarkable offers. Our sales clerks are experts and desirous of helping.

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THIRD AND MAIN.

"Dear Santa Claus."

Burlington Junction, Mo.
December 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a gun and some nuts. I want a big drum and some candy. I want you to bring me a man that will dance on a little wagon.

Yours truly,
Billy Merriett.

Burlington Junction, Mo.
December 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus;

I wish you would bring me a doll, a wagon and I want a sled and a doll buggy too and some nuts.

And I want some candy, and a fountain pen. I wish you would bring my little brother a kiddybike and a little dog.

Yours truly,
Tiny Mae Merriett.

Burlington Junction, Mo.
December 12, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I go to Hagey School, and for Christmas I want a doll that can walk and talk. And I would like an orange. But I do not want to ask for too much. If you have anything left, bring me a doll go-cart with a strap across the top. Well, I think that is all.

Mary Frances.

Parnell, Mo.
December 12, 1923.

Dear Santy:

We are two boys and one wants a rifle, candy, nuts and oranges. The other one wants a big rubber ball and anything else you have left when you get here.

Your little friends,
Cowan Allen and Newton David.

Maryville, Mo.
December 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll bed, a doll, I want a rocking chair, a sled, a wagon and some candy.

Your friend,
Marie Seipel.

Parnell, Mo.
December 12, 1923.

Dear Santy Claus:

I am writing to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want candy, nuts, a doll that will say "Mama," doll buggy and some oranges. I want a table and dishes. If you can't bring all, pick out one please.

Your little friend,
Claudell Heflin.

Maryville, Mo.
December 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 9 years old I go to school every day. I am in the third grade. Will you bring me some roller skates and nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Pauline Edwards.

Maryville, Mo.
December 13, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 6 years old and will start to school after Christmas. Will you bring me a doll that says "Mamma" and that cries, a doll cart, a teddy bear and candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Esther Edwards.

R. No. 7, Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 8 years old. For Christmas I want a basketball bladder, a striking bag, and candy and nuts. My brother wants a watch and candy and nuts. That is all we want this Christmas. Please take all the rest of the children something.

With love,
Paul Blackford.

Burlington Jct., Mo., Dec. 14, 1923

Dear Santa:

We are going to have a program at our school and a Christmas tree. My teacher's name is Mrs. Kelley. I am 8 years old and in the third grade. Now I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a train of cars and a whistle and a wagon, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Good bye Santa,
Frank Edward Ware.

Burlington Jct., Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

We are going to have a program at our school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Bailey. I am in the fourth grade. I am 9 years old. Now, I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and two story books and candy and nuts.

Your loving friend,
Esther Ware.

Skidmore, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am telling you what I want for Christmas. I want a basketball, a gun, a pair of house slippers and candy and nuts and that is all. I am 10 years old.

Yours truly,
Harold Bailey.

Skidmore, Mo., Dec. 14.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I mind daddy, mamma and my teacher, so I want you to bring me a pony, toy airplane, scooter, drum, candy cane, horn, and some candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Matt. Clay Gwinn.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 7 years old. I go to the Jones Branch school. I want a sleepy doll, pair of shoes, dishes, doll bed, doll buggy, table and candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Burnadean Harmon.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I am a very good little boy. I want a wagon, candy and nuts, a knife and a toy train. I want Santa Claus to bring Mary Jane a doll.

Your little friend,
George Weaver, R. F. D. 5.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I go to the Jones Branch school. My teacher is Miss Bertha Frede. I like her very much. Please bring me a knife, candy and nuts, an orange and a little red wagon. Please remember the other boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Donald Clements, R. R. No. 7.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 5 years old. I want a train, knife, candy and nuts.

Your little friend,
Buster Logan, R F D No. 7.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 7 years old. I go to the Jones Branch school. My teacher is Miss Bertha Frede. I want a doll, story book and an Elson Second Reader, candy and nuts, and scissors.

Your little friend,
Hester Mae Logan.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 3 years old. I don't go to school, but I live across the road from the Jones Branch school. I want a doll with black hair and a red dress and a pair of scissors, and candy and nuts and don't forget the little boys and girls.

From your little friend,
Opal Logan.

Burlington Junction,
Dec. 14, 1923.

Dear Santa:

I go to school. I am in the first grade. My teacher is Miss Vansandt. I am 6 years old. We are going to have a Christmas tree at our school. I want you to be sure to come. Now I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a tricycle and a book. My brother and sister want candy and nuts. My sister wants some blocks and a new dress and candy and nuts. My brother wants a rocking horse, a story book and some candy and nuts.

Yours truly,
Maurice Ware.

The Keynote

ONLY that which is worth while can survive. The world has no place for a fifth wheel. Production is the keynote of this progressive age.

The mainspring in the affairs of the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) is the production of service.

No word in the English language ever has been misused, so glibly, as the word "Service".

In the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) "Service" is interpreted exactly as Webster defines it—"The performance of labor for the benefit of another."

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The Manufacturing Department of the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) has developed a large number of primary products from the single base—crude petroleum; each one performing a useful and essential service.

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This we interpret as a major service.

The marketing Department of the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) has built up a system of distribution so comprehensive that the man living at a cross road in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan or in the mountainous regions of Southwestern Missouri is as sure of a constant supply of Standard Oil products as is the man living in the city.

The farmer, harvesting his crops, can have Standard Oil Company (Indiana) products delivered to him in the field if he needs them.

The man who wants a quart of oil receives the same degree of painstaking attention as the man who buys a barrel.

The service rendered by the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) is not of the "fair weather" brand—it is sustained—it endures—it is big.

Service is what has made the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) big, and by the same token, it is bigness that has made Standard Oil Company (Indiana) service possible.

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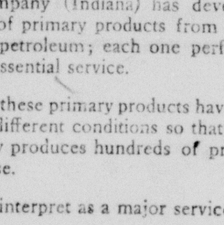

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Here are real substantial gifts that will be sure to delight the hearts of the little folks.

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Rubber Tired Disc Wheels

11½ inches high $4.50
12¾ inches high $5.00

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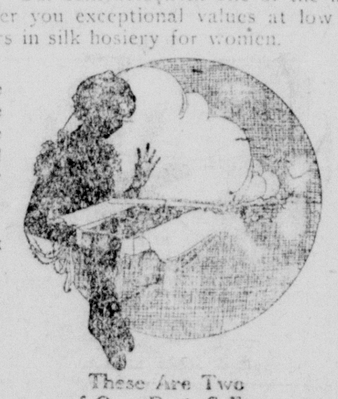

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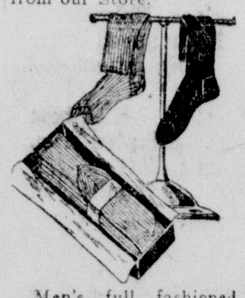

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Padded sole, spring heel, ribbon trimmed. Handsome mocs at

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FOR SALE

LEGAL FORMS FOR SALE—The following legal forms may be had at The Democrat-Forum office: Quit Claim Deed, House Leases, Deed of Trust, Chattle Mortgage with power of Sale, and General Warranty Deed.

FOR SALE—United States Royal Cords of all sizes. Malam Garage. Dec. 1-31

FOR SALE—1920 Ford Sedan, good repair, will sell worth the money. Otis & Herndon. D5tf.

At Johnsons
For cash will sell during Dec.
30x3½ Fisk Premier, Kelly Springfield or Firestone Fabric casings $9.50.
32x3½ Miller Fabric, $10.50.
33x4 Republic Fabric $13.50.
34x4 Republic Fabric, $14.00.
30x3½ Weed Chains, $4.00.
5 gal. Mobiloil at 85c per gal.
5 gal. Monomobile oil at 80c per gal.
Cup grease 20c, 9 volt 21 c. p. bulbs 60c. Walter E. Johnson, Pickering, Mo. 5tf

FOR SALE—Modern dwelling nearly new and one of the best, will sell at a sacrifice, liberal terms; also several household articles including piano, sewing machine, phonograph, davenport, Quickmeal gasoline stove, tea wagon and various other articles. C. G. McMillen, Pickering. D3tf

FOR SALE—Fat geese for Christmas dinner. Farmers 20-11. 15-18

FOR SALE—Ford Coupe 1920 model battery starter. Fisher Battery Station. 10tf

$2250 Grocery stock and fixtures, doing good cash business, must sell on account of other business. See Otis & Herndon. 10tf

FOR SALE—Hickory and oak ridge wood, phone me for your winter wood. Also oak posts. Geo. W. Neal, Pickering. 15-21

FOR SALE—South Missouri stock ranch, at price and terms that will surprise those who can use it or might consider exchange for Maryville city property; for three weeks only. Chas. Hyslop. D12tf.

FOR SALE—Pure bred Anconia cockerels. Everett Carmichael, Farmers 10-52, Pickering. 17-19*

FOR SALE—All kinds of good nursery stock adapted to our soil and climate, fresh from the nursery at planting time. 1924 Price List now ready. Murray Nurseries, Maryville, Mo.

Still have a few good Poland-China boars for sale; better hurry. W. B. Gex, Graham, Mo. 17-19

FOR SALE—1923 Ford roadster, standard A No. 1 shape, cheap for cash. Melvin Webb, phone 126 black, Burlington Junction. 18*

FOR SALE—40 acres of stock field and grass, plenty of water, 7 miles northwest of Barnard. O. M. Crawford. 18*

FOR SALE—All kinds of wood. Call Hanamo 4209. B. F. Mozingo. D18-J17*

MISCELLANEOUS

RED CALF, weight 300 lbs, strayed to county farm December 10. Same can be had by paying keep and for ad. George Brown, Supt. County Farm. 18-19

MONEY TO LOAN—Joint stock land bank. For Sale—Farm and city real estate. See Ed F. Wolfert. D 12-J12

WANTED—To buy 2000 bu. of good yellow corn. C. V. Phillips, Farmers 17-13. 17-19*

WANTED—job by the month, starting January 1. Orval Karr, telephone 1820, Skidmore. 18-19*

LOST—Saturday evening, December 15, about 6 o'clock, between business section of Skidmore and my residence, 311 South Buchanan street, Maryville, one flat yellow leather portfolio containing legal papers. $25.00 reward. Geo. R. Ellison. 18-24*

FOUND—Ball brand overshoe. Owner can have same by seeing Harve Walter. 18*

LOST—Pair of gold rimmed glasses in Christian Church. Call A. C. Kimmet. 18*

"Dear Santa Claus"

Barnard, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.
Dear Santa:
I will write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a barn with horses in it and a little wagon and candy and nuts. Don't forget the other boys and girls and be sure and don't forget the sick.
Your little friend,
Clifford Force.

Barnard, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.
Dear Santa Claus:
I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a barn, a little horse hitched to a wagon, candy and nuts and don't forget the visit everybody. I am 10 years old.
Your friend,
Albert Force.

Pickering, Mo., Dec. 14, 1923.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 4 years old and I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like for you to bring me a big doll that says "mama," walks and goes to sleep. I also want a little iron, candy and some nuts. My daddy wants you to bring him a new Ford filled with gas. Be sure and don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Your little friend,
Georgia David.

Maryville, Mo., Dec. 12, 1923.
Dear Santa Claus:
My name is Mary Ellen Howard and I live 6½ miles south of Maryville. I am 4 years old and I want you to bring me a trunk for my dolly's clothes and a box of A B C blocks. I have two little brothers; Paul is 2 years old. He wants a wagon, and a mouth harp, and Raymond is 2 months old. He wants a rattler. Well, this is all. Do remember all the other children. Good-bye.
Your little friend,
Mary Ellen Howard, R. 7.

Skidmore, Mo., Dec. 12, 1923
Dear Santa:
I want a blackboard, chalk, little car, overcoat and an Estella Jane doll.
Addison Hartman.

Addison Hartman will be remembered as Maryville's tiny baby, six years ago, weighing two and a half pounds. Now he is overweight. He attends school at Skidmore and has written the above letter to Santa.

MARKET REPORTS

Chicago, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 13,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 56,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 12,000.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 7,00.
HOGS—Receipts, 23,000.
SHEP—Receipts, 2,500.

Kansas City, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 15,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 18,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 6,000.

St. Joseph, Dec. 18.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,800; top, $10.00.
HOGS—Receipts, 10,000; top, $6.90; 10c lower.
SHEEP—Receipts, 1,500; top, $12.00.

Todays Market

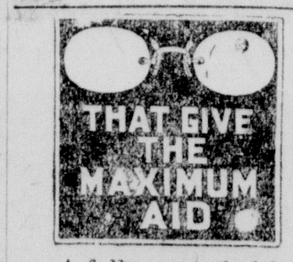
Leghorn springs per lb	11c
Springs per lb	14c
Ducks and Geese per lb	12c
Turkeys per lb	20c
Eggs, per dozen	30c
Cream, per lb	49c
Hens per lb	16c
Light hens per lb	13c
Cox per lb	6c
Hides per lb	4c

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads

WANTED—Orders for complete Christmas and Sunday dinner, cooked at my home, and will bake pies, cakes, cranberry jelly and bread. Mrs. Mary Hardin. Hanamo 279, 1109 E. 4th. 12-19*

WANTED—Two car loads of ear corn at Burlington station. See A. N. Reece. 12-18.

FOR SALE—Baby chicks. Are now taking orders. Place your order early. Most all varieties. 100 per cent delivery. $14 per 100 delivered. Half down with orders. Groves Hatchery, R. 4 Skidmore, Phone through Graham. 14tf



A full range of vision with our glasses that restore your sight to normal.

Kuchs Bros.
Optometrists
Maryville, Mo.

Six Days to Christmas

HAROLD, DO YOU HEAR ME? YOU GO RIGHT BACK IN THE KITCHEN AND PLAY- OR I SHALL TELL SANTA CLAUS THAT YOU WERE A DISOBED'ENT BOY?
WHO IS IT MAMA?
Copyright, W. N. U.

CATTLE WEAK—LAMBS LOWER —HOGS WERE STRONGER.

Kansas City Stock Yards, Dec. 17.—Hog prices held firm at the high level of last week's close and 40 to 45 cents above the low point last Wednesday. Though receipts were liberal, there were more evenly distributed among the principal markets than on former Mondays. Short fed cattle were slightly lower but most other classes were steady. Prime steers and heifers were lacking. There were a fairly good demand for stockers and feeders. Prices for sheep were steady and lambs lower.

Today's Receipts.

Receipts today were 23,000 cattle, 17,000 hogs and 7,000 sheep compared with 23,000 cattle, 21,000 hogs and 7,000 sheep a week ago, and 13,505 cattle, 13,700 hogs and 5,725 sheep a year ago.

Beef Cattle

Trade in fat cattle opened slowly. A few early sales on fill out orders were made at steady prices, but the bulk of the killing steers which were in the short fed classes sold 10 to 15 cents lower, and trade in them was late in starting. Prime cattle were scarce and the cheap kinds were in moderate supply. Prices for cows and heifers were uneven, though mostly steady. Trade was quiet, finished heifers were lacking and the fair to good classes were scarce. Veal calves and bulls were steady. The Christmas holiday next week will cut down receipts, and few cattle will be here this week after Wednesday.

Stockers and Feeders.

Trade in stockers and feeders was fairly active and prices were steady. More countrymen were buying out of first hands today than for some time past. General demand was for all classes, but more fleshy feeders are going to the country than a month ago.

Hogs.

After making a strong rally in the last half of last week, the hog market today held firm at that advance. The top price was $6.95 and bulk of sales $6.50 to $6.90, or a gain of 40 to 45 cents compared with the low point last week. Packing sows sold at $6.25 to $6.65. Pigs and stock hogs were 10 to 15 cents higher, at $5.25 to $5.75. The ability of the market to absorb liberal receipts indicates a fairly active trade this week.

Sheep and Lambs

Prices for fat sheep were strong and lambs were 15 to 25 cents lower. Trade in the latter class was active as soon as the decline was established. Most of the lambs sold at $11.75 to $12.00. Some ewes at $6.75 looked higher, and shorn wethers at $7.25 to $7.50 were steady.

Horses and Mules

Small receipts of horses and mules found a ready outlet at steady prices. Receipts were not large enough to test the full extent of the demand.

Chas. M. Pipkin,
Market Correspondent.

MOUNT AYR NEWS.

The pupils are preparing a Christmas program to be given Friday night before the Christmas tree.

Miss Rita Lies, who has been visiting Miss Mary Heitman, returned to her home in Auburn, Nebr., Monday.

Miss Marie DeNeen, arrived home Sunday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. DeNeen.

C. A. King and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John King Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Smith and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wright visited Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wright Sunday.

Mrs. M. C. Baublitts visited at the G. W. Wright home Sunday.

Dorothy Melton visited Edna Appleby Sunday.

Chas. DeNeen butchered Tuesday.

George Baker and E. E. Mozingo shipped hogs to St. Joseph last week.

Ernest Shenkel visited Orville Baker Sunday.

Miss Rose Wilmes visited Mary Heitman Sunday.

GILL COMMUNITY

Mr. and Mrs. Denton Porter of Quitman spent the week end at the Charles Walton home. On Monday they were guests of Mrs. Porter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Walton.

Mr. Charles Slauson and Mr. Roy Slauson are through husking corn.

Ray Morris and Bert Pierson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alva Hardesty.

Dorothy Mary Gossard has been quite sick with a cold.

Mrs. A. E. Straub entered some chickens in the Poultry show and received several prizes.

R. T. Hughbanks spent Friday night at the Ben Gossard home.

Otis and Hazel Schenkel were brought to their home from the St. Francis Hospital and are getting along nicely.

Ben Gossard began husking for Claude Peter Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Walton of Maryville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walton Wednesday night.

MYRTLE TREE ITEMS

Miss Gladys Parent who works at the long distance telephone office in Maryville visited her parents, Tuesday.

Jerry O'Connell is husking corn for Jim Danner.

Vincent Harris visited school last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bramble and family, and Mrs. Mary Bohannan of St. Joseph was Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Freece and family.

F. H. Dewden sawed wood Tuesday.

Harland Pride has been absent from school this week on account of illness.

Myrtle Tree school is preparing for a program on December 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McClurg entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bart Shannon and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Dodwen on Sunday, December 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kelley of Maryville went to spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Kelley.

FAIRVIEW ITEMS

Walter Rasco butchered hogs, Tuesday. Those who assisted were B. M. Willson, Lee Rasco, Ivan Hilsabeck and Ora Thompson.

Harold Dougan spent Saturday night with his grandmother, Mrs. Chas. Dougan.

Fred Dunn is helping Frank Dougan husk corn.

Frank Moffitt and John Sherman went to Rosendale to mill, Monday.

Robert Hilsabeck and son, Lawrence, and H. W. Hilsabeck and son, Ivan, were shopping in Maryville, Tuesday.

Mrs. George Wohlford spent Saturday afternoon with her daughter, Mrs. Jack Goforth.

Mrs. Frank Maffitt and little daughters, spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. John Sherman.

Chloe, Edith and Katherine Campbell were St. Joseph shoppers, Tuesday.

The pupils of our school are making preparations for a Christmas tree and a Christmas program to be given at the school house Monday afternoon, December 24. Every body invited.

Mrs. O. W. Thompson and daughter spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rasco.

Chris Bowman and family spent Wednesday evening at the home of Warren Phelps.

Mrs. Robert Hilsabeck and children spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wohlford.

Leland Wohlford spent Sunday with Joe and Paul Schrader.

EUDORA ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Allen and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Kitty Chambers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ina Allen and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kitty Chambers and family.

Miss Agnes and Mary Esther Allen spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Symonds and family.

Miss Hazel Williams spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson and family.

Miss Elma Allen, Hazel Williams, Margaret and Lucy Dawson spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Kitty Chambers and family.

Miss Elma Allen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dawson and family spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Dawson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Baker of Clearmont, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Baker.

Vera Esther and Dorthy Walker spent Sunday afternoon with Pauline and Lora Sloan.

There will be a Christmas tree and program at the Eudora school Friday, Dec. 21. Program will be as follows:
Song, "Merry, Merry Bells"—School
Reading, "Christmas Greeting"—Victor.
Reading, "Old Santa Claus"—Mildred.
Exercise, "Joy Bells"—3 girls.
Reading, "Santa Clause and the Mouse"—Leona.
Song, "Santa Claus"—D Class.
Reading, "A Forecast"—Pearl.
Exercise, "Who Can Guess?" — C class.
Reading, "Christmas Joy"—Rex.
Drama, "Piggy Wig"—C class.
Reading, "Coming of Santa Claus"—Roy.
Exercise, "Christmas"—D class.
Reading, "Always Christmas"—Agnes.
Song, "Sleep, Gentle Jesus"—Lorace.
Drama, "The Secret"—Victor and M. E.
Reading, "The Months"—Eunice.
Dialogue, "Christmas Controversy.

PIFER SCHOOL

The pupils of the Pifer School are selling Christmas Seals.

Miss Janie Colwell went to Mound City Saturday, to spend a few days.

Mr. Charlie Lininger will get through husking corn Tuesday.

Two new Chevrolet cars were purchased in the neighborhood last week. One by W. T. Stevens and one by Mr. Fred Neal.

Jonny Lininger went to Bigelow Saturday evening to spend Sunday with his cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Slayden spent Sunday with John Slayden and his mother.

Charley Lininger's team ran away Friday but no one was hurt. The team scared at a buggy with side curtains on. They broke loose from the wagon and broke a wooden gate to pieces.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were at Maryville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Kelly were visitors at John Shith's Sunday.

Miss Eva Vaughn Lawson spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lawson of Ravenwood.

Three Cars in One!

A wonderful business car for dad—big loading space for samples, grips, tools, anything—by removing rear seat and upholstery! A wonderful closed car for the whole family—both seats adjustable forward and backward to accommodate everybody, tall and short! A wonderful vacation car for next summer—seats and upholstery make up into full-sized bed! *More* service at *less* cost! Come and enjoy a free demonstration.

NEW Overland $695 f.o.b. Toledo CHAMPION

Sewell Auto Co. Maryville, Mo.

Ravenwood Motor Co. Ravenwood, Mo.

Closing Out Sale

As I am leaving the state, will sell at public auction, at the Ernest Bainum farm, 6 miles north of the Burlington depot, or 2 miles south of Pickering, Mo., on

Thursday, December 20, 1923

commencing at 11 o'clock.

HORSES—Black mare, 7 years old, weight 1300; brown mare, 7 years old, weight 1350; bay mare, smooth mouth, weight 1150.

CATTLE—4-year-old Jersey, coming 6-year-old Jersey. These are real milk cows; also 4 heifer calves.

HOGS—90 fall shoats, 10 brood sows. GRAIN—1,000 bushels corn, some alfalfa hay.

100 Purebred Fancy White Wyandotte Pullets.

IMPLEMENTS—7 foot McCormick binder nearly new; Janesville disc, 16-16; Janesville 16 inch sulky plow; 10 foot harrow; Little Jap riding cultivator; Avery walking cultivator; lister; high wheel Clinton wagon; low wheel wagon, with tight box; John Deere corn planter; basket rack; 2 sets work harness; 75 bushel self-feeder; corn sheller; 1½ h. p. gas engine, new; pump jack; 5 barrel water tank; 60 gallon hog waterer; two 55-gallon steel barrels; 34 foot extension ladder; 6 steel chicken coops; 2 pair ice tongs; iron kettle and 5 stands of bees.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS—8-foot dining table, 6 dining chairs, 5 rockers, dresser and chiffonier, Vernis Martin bed and iron bed, child's bed, child's book case, sanitary cot, kitchen cabinet, new; 3-burner Perfection oil stove with oven, cook stove, 14-inch Round Oak heater, water separator, power washer, cooking utensils, dishes, 2 9x12 Axminster rugs, one nearly new; also 10 bushels Early Six Week potatoes, few bushels Grimes Golden, Jonathan, Jenet and Winesap apples, about 300 quarts of canned fruit.

TERMS—Cash. Lunch on grounds by the Ladies Aid of Christian Church.

CHAS. E. McCLURG

J. R. Braniger, Auct. Bank of Pickering, Clerk.

KALIS' LAXATIVE "FLU-CAPS"
FOR COLDS, GRIP AND INFLUENZA
A strictly meritorious remedy that has proven of inestimable value in combating colds in head or chest. Acts directly on liver and bowels, ridding the system of impurities and fortifying the body against attack from disease germs.
50c a box at your druggists.
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HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.

HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE consists of an Ointment which Quickly Relieves the catarrhal inflammation, and the Internal Medicine, a Tonic, which acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces, thus assisting to restore normal conditions.

Sold by druggists for over 40 Years.
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FARM LOANS

I want all the good farm loans I can get on attractive terms. See or write me what you have and want. I can't hear over the phone.

CHAS. HYSLOP

Dr. Baker

of St. Joseph has opened optical rooms in the Mutz building, southwest corner of square, in Maryville, where he will practice his profession as an eyesight specialist.

CUT FLOWERS
Chrysanthemums, Lillies, Roses, Calendulas, Sweet Peas and Carnations. Large assortment of Potted Plants for all occasions at
KISSINGER GREENHOUSES
Block south of Hospital. Hanamo 374

Letter From E. L. Andrews From Price

Formerly Maryville Merchant and Resident Is In Utah City

E. L. Andrews, formerly a resident of Maryville, writes from Price, Utah, where he is the manager of the Skaggs Cash Stores. This company has 100 modern cash and carry stores and markets in Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, California and Nevada.

Mr. Andrews in a letter to The Democrat-Forum ordering the paper to be sent to him writes:

"The News-Advocate is published by Grace Avery Cooper, formerly of Maryville. Mr. Cooper died a few months ago and she continues to run the paper.

"Price is in a nice little valley in Carbon County and this county could supply coal enough for the United States if they worked steady. One of the most modern coal camps in the United States is located only twenty miles from here, "Hiawatha."

"We have pavement for twelve miles west right in the mountains which road passes several coal camps and is very scenic. The roads are all good and we drive every Sunday afternoon 50 to 100 miles. No snow here yet."

Urges Amendments Be Explained to Pupils

Jefferson City, Dec. 18.—Teachers in the public schools are urged to distribute literature on the proposed amendments to the state constitution, and a course is suggested for pupils above the sixth grade by Charles A. Lee, state superintendent of schools.

"The time is short wherein to become familiar with the new provisions of the constitution and for that reason various intensive means to aid in this must be employed," Superintendent Lee declared. "One of the most competent agencies to accomplish this is the public school system. Any proposed changes in the fundamental law of the state affects the entire citizenship and an unbiased study of the proposals suggested is essential to the welfare of all.

"The schools have a sacred service to perform for the youthful citizens of this country and I am sure that a proper study of the work of the constitutional convention cannot do other than result in the lasting good of all.

"Literature, thoroughly discussing all amendments, will be abundant, and this can well be comprehensively used by the teachers for an unbiased presentation of the provisions of the new amendments. This work can well be made a part of the history courses for all children in the public schools above the sixth grade."

Mrs. E. B. Lytle Ill.

Mrs. E. B. Lytle is seriously ill at her home in San Francisco, Calif., according to word received today by Maryville friends from the Rev. Mr. Lytle. Mr. and Mrs. Lytle are former residents of Maryville and the former was pastor of the First Methodist Church for several years.

John Turner and daughter, Marie, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Turner and daughter of Barnard were Maryville visitors today. Mr and Mrs. C. W. Morrow and daughter, also of Barnard, visited in Maryville yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spurgin of Pickering were Maryville visitors today.

Funeral Services for J. D. Elliott Tomorrow

Funeral services for J. D. Elliott of Barnard will be held at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Christian Church conducted by the pastor, the Rev. C. E. Hagee. Burial will be in the Centenary cemetery.

Mr. Elliott's death occurred at 9 o'clock yesterday morning at his home in Barnard after an illness of nearly three years. He was born March 17, 1861, and had lived in Nodaway County for over twenty years. Only a month ago he moved to Barnard from a farm west of there. Surviving are his wife, and five children, Edgar and Frank Elliott and Mrs. Lee Burns of Barnard; Vernie Elliott, Boulder, Colo.; and Leslie Elliott of Loveland, Colo. Two sisters, Mrs. S. G. Massie of Maryville and Miss Cora Elliott of Bolckow, also survive.

M'Adoo Announces Candidacy Last Night

Former Secretary of the Treasury Issues Statement Saying He Will Be Candidate.

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—William Gibbs McAdoo, war-time director of the American railroads, last night announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination, in a telegram to W. W. Howes, Democratic state chairman, Pierre, S. D.

Mr. McAdoo's formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the Democratic proposal convention already is in the mail en route to Pierre.

The telegram to the South Dakota Democratic state chairman read:

"Having filed my formal acceptance of the platform adopted by the Democratic proposal convention, as required by South Dakota law, I desire again to express my apreciation of the honor conferred upon me by the convention and to say that I am willing to fight with, and for, the people of South Dakota in support of the progressive principles by the convention.

"We shall get no relief from the burdens now oppressing us, nor shall we progress in any direction through the Republican policies of standstillism and wistful wishing for these problems to solve themselves.

"The Democratic party stands for progress and popular rights. It welcomes the opportunity to do battle for them."

Knights of Pythias Elect New Officers

At the regular meeting of the Knights of Pythias Lodge last night, officers for the ensuing year were elected.

The officers elected were as follows:

Chancellor Commander, Paul Robey; Vice Chancellor, Harlan Wray; Keeper of Records and Seal, Russell Robey; Prelate, Rev. T. J. Puckett; Master of Finance, R. L. McDougal; Master of Exchecquer, E. F. Wolfert; Master of Arms, James Kegin; Inner Guard, W. L. Foster; Trustee for three year term, A. S. Robey. Installation of these officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hicks and Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Tracy of Bedford, Ia., visited in Maryville today with the latter's son, L. B. Tracy, and family.

Ed Crane of Elmo and Warren Miller of Braddyville, Ia., visited in Maryville today.

ELECTRIC THEATRE

PHONE NO. HANAMO 602, FARMERS 111.

Tonight and Tomorrow—A vivid picturization of Chas. K. Harris' Dramatic Story, with an all-star cast, in

'The Tie That Binds'

An amazing mystery drama that will surprise and delight you. Matinee 3:00—10c and 33c. Night 7:30 and 9:00—10c and 33c.

Thursday, Dec. 21 — Florence Reed in, "BLACK PANTHER'S CUB."

Electric Theatre, Conception Jct. Mo.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19—One day only

Brown's Tennessee Minstrels

If you like good singing and dancing, come over and enjoy yourself. Doors open at 7:00; show starts at 8:00. Children 22c; adults 44c.

Here's the Store that Solves your

Gift Problems

Whether your problems be the selection of a kindly present for father, brother, husband—or the remembrance for a pal of the golden school days—you have assurance of real co-operation in our wonderful Christmas stocks. Our best energies and experience have been liberally expended to offer you a real help.

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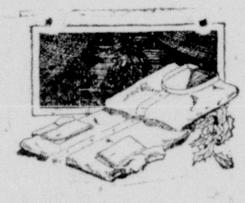
Come browse around these many offerings—perhaps you will find just the suggestions to solve your holiday problem most pleasingly.



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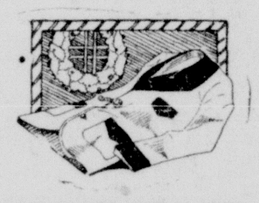

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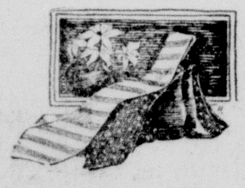

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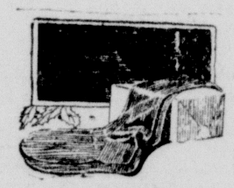

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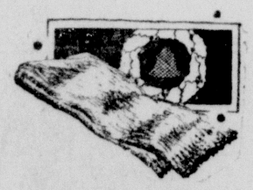

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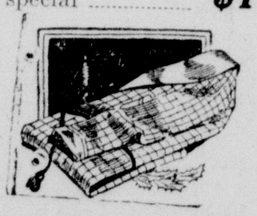

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